

# **Forty-eighth Annual Report**

of the

## **TOWN OFFICERS**

of

**PLAINVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS**



**For the Year Ending December 31st**

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## PLAINVILLE FIRE ALARM

A. E. FRENCH, *Chief*—Tel. 8-1104-W

5	Fire Station	41	Walnut & Fuller Sts.
6	Center of Town	42	Spring & Cottage Sts.
7	Whiting & Davis Co. (Private)	43	Walnut & High Sts.
8	High School	45	Hancock St., Wrentham Line
12	South St. & Lincoln Ave.	46	South & Fuller Sts.
13	Assembly Hall	48	George & Wampum Sts.
14	South & Pleasant Sts.	51	Warren & High Sts.
15	Bacon Square	52	South & Cross Sts.
16	Bugbee & Washington Sts.	53	High & Chestnut Sts.
18	South & Everett Sts.	54	South & Green Sts.
21	Sidney St. & Cooney Ave.	56	Berry St., Wrentham Line
24	Melcher & Pleasant Sts.	58	East Bacon & Washington Sts.
25	West Bacon & Fletcher Sts.	61	Plainville Stock Co., (Private)
26	East Bacon & Grove Sts.	62	Wilkins' Four Corners
31	West Bacon & Warren Sts.	64	Taunton & Washington Sts.
32	East Bacon & Pleasant Sts.	72	Mirimichi Pond South
33	West Bacon & Freemont Sts.	74	Taunton & Shepard Sts.
34	South & Broad Sts.	76	Mirimichi Pond North
35	Hawkins St., No. Attleboro Line	82	Belcher & Madison Sts.
36	School & George Sts.	84	Washington St., Wrentham Line
38	Washington & George Sts.	115	Elementary School (Private)
4-4-4-4	Forest Fire	113	Out of Town

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#### IN CASE OF FIRE CALL:

##### *Chief*

A. E. French, Tel. Home 8-1104-W or Factory 8-0024

##### *1st Assistant*

C. F. Henrich, Tel. Home 8-0654-R or Store 8-0556

##### *2nd Assistant*

C. A. Meyer, Tel. Home 8-1540 or Factory 8-0024

Raymond Cobb, Tel. Home 8-1123-W or Garage 8-0154

Everett W. Skinner, Tel. Home 8-1147-R

Elmer C. Pease, Tel. Home 8-1148-W

Fire Station from 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. 8-0176-M

Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.

Fire Station from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. 8-0176-M

Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat. except holidays

The Plainville Engine Co., will report to the Central Station, North Attleboro on Second Alarms of the following box numbers: Located in North Attleboro: 5-6-7-8-21-24-33-34-51-65-81-82-83-86-151-216-218-612-812-813.

#### NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

7:30 A.M. Three double blasts on Fire Alarm System signifies no school for all pupils for the day.

7:45 A.M. Same signal signifies no school for primary school pupils.

11:45 A.M. Same signal signifies no school in the afternoon and all pupils will stay in school one hour longer than the usual morning session and then be dismissed for the day.

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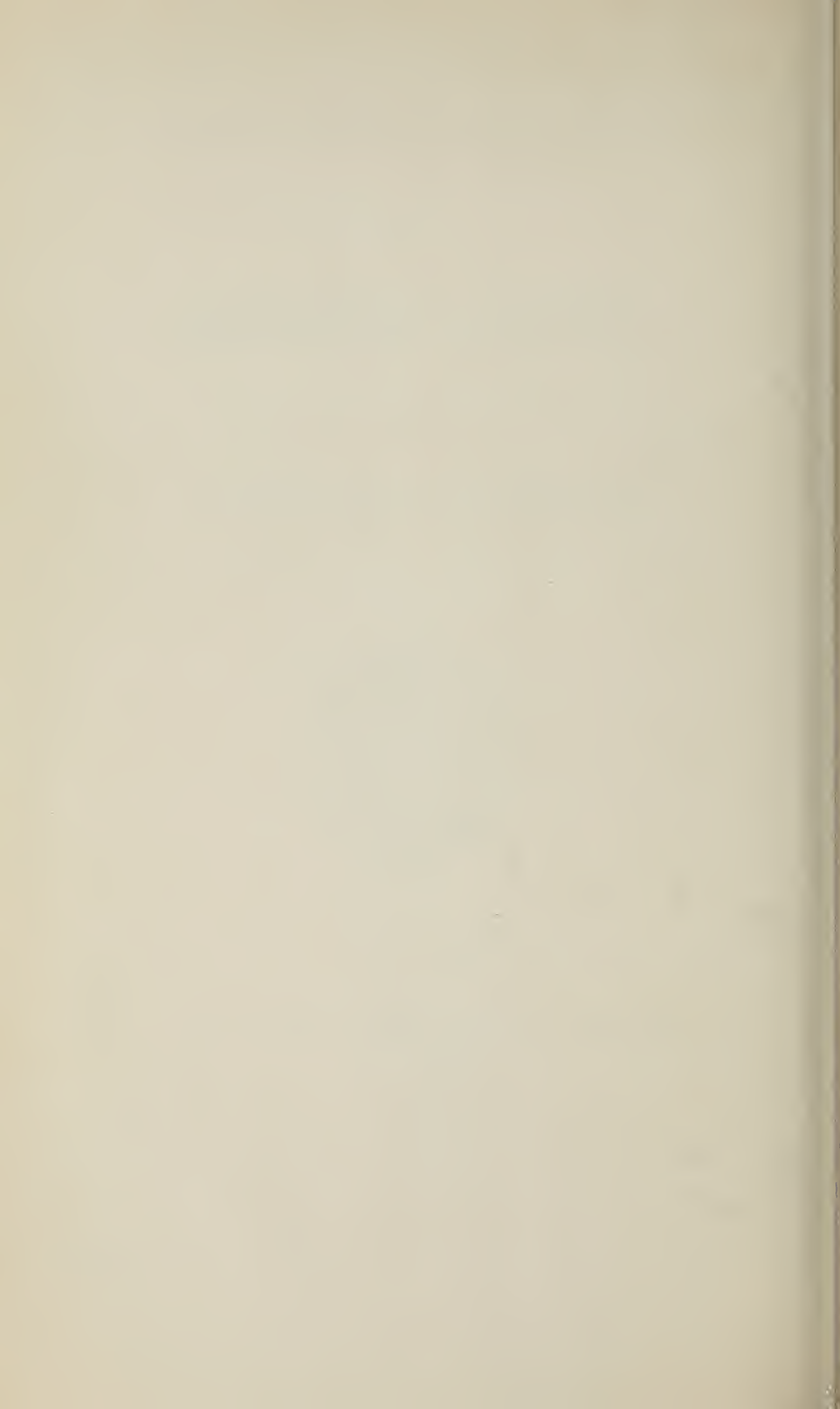
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The North Attleborough Chronicle Company

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# TOWN OFFICERS

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## MODERATOR—*One Year*

CHARLES O. PEASLEY

## TOWN CLERK—*One Year*

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

CHARLES S. COBB, Assistant Clerk

## TOWN TREASURER—*Three Years*

EDWARD E. OSTERHOLM, Term expires 1953

## SELECTMEN, WELFARE BOARD *and* BOARD OF HEALTH

LEROY B. WILSON	Term expires 1953
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN	Term expires 1954
NORMAN A. MCGILL	Term expires 1955

## ASSESSORS

SYDNEY J. ANDREWS	Term expires 1953
FRANK V. HENRICH	Term expires 1954
CHARLES J. QUIRK	Term expires 1955

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

EDWARD H. HEMMINGSEN	Term expires 1953
HELEN A. SMITH	Term expires 1954
CLINTON E. BARTON	Term expires 1955

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

HARRY B. THOMPSON	Term expires 1953
GORDON S. PROAL	Term expires 1954
ALTON E. FRENCH	Term expires 1955

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

THEODORE A. WICKMAN	Term expires 1953
ALICE M. PEASE	Term expires 1954
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN	Term expires 1955

## TAX COLLECTOR—*Three Years*

THEODORE A. WICKMAN	Term expires 1953
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## PARK COMMISSIONERS

ROBERT J. FAWCETT	Term expires 1953
ARTHUR W. MYERS, JR.	Term expires 1954
CLARENCE E. SKINNER, JR.	Term expires 1955

AUDITOR—*One Year*

LAWRENCE H. CARPENTER

CONSTABLES—*One Year*

HERBERT A. MORSE	ELMER C. PEASE
CHESTER A. MEYER	

TREE WARDEN—*One Year*

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON

FENCE VIEWERS *and* FIELD DRIVERS—*One Year*

CHESTER A. MEYER	
HERBERT A. MORSE	ELMER C. PEASE

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK *and* LUMBER

GEORGE H. SNELL	HARRY O. PROAL
JESSE W. FRANKLIN	EVERETT W. SKINNER

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 APPOINTED BY FIRE ENGINEERS

## Chief of Fire Department

ALTON E. FRENCH

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 APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

## Acting Chief of Police

CHESTER A. MEYER

## Superintendent of Streets

HARRY O. PROAL





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**Inspector of Slaughtering**

EARL B. THOMPSON

**Sanitation Inspector**

PUTNAM B. STEELE, E. Bridgewater

**Dog Officer**

HERBERT A. MORSE

**Moth Inspector**

ALEC H. FREDRICKSON

**Inspector of Wires**

CHARLES G. HAYES

**Registrars of Voters**

HAROLD L. ANDERSON

Term expires 1953

DACIA A. ANDERSON

Term expires 1954

FRANK KING

Term expires 1955

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

**Night Patrolman**

ELMER C. PEASE

**Welfare Agent and Clerk of Selectmen**

RUTH R. FULTON

**Town Physician**

MAURICE D. GRANT, M.D.

**Town Forest Committee**

HARRY O. PROAL

Term expires 1953

GEORGE H. SNELL

Term expires 1954

EDGAR F. BERRY

Term expires 1955

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**APPOINTMENT AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**
**Advisory or Financial Committee**

RALPH E. CROWELL

ALPIN CHISHOLM

OLIVER P. BROSN

REGINAL B. KEYES

CHARLES F. BREEN, JR.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

EDWARD E. OSTERHOLM



# Town Clerk's Report

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## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To Either of the Constables of Plainville,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in Town Hall in said Plainville, on

MONDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH 1952, A. D.

at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose all the necessary Town Officers.

Article 2. The following to be chosen by ballot, viz: One Town Clerk, one Auditor, one Tree Warden, one Moderator, and three Constables for one year. One Selectman and Overseer of Public Welfare, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Water Commissioner, one member of the School Committee, one Assessor and one Park Commissioner for three years, and one Water Commissioner for two years.

All officers, except the above named are to be chosen for one year.

Polls will be open at 6:00 A.M., and may be closed by vote at 3:00 P. M.

Article 3. To consider and act on the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers.

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Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to postpone action on all other articles to an adjourned meeting to be held Monday evening, March 3, 1952 at 7:30 P. M. in the Town Hall.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Moderator	\$20.00 each Annual Meeting
	10.00 each Special Meeting
Town Clerk	300.00 per year
Town Treasurer	600.00 per year
Selectmen, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	200.00 per year
Third Member	200.00 per year
Assessors, chairman	400.00 per year
Second Member	400.00 per year
Third Member	400.00 per year
Tax Collector	600.00 per year
School Committee	40.00 each member
Water Commissioners,	
Chairman and Supt.	200.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year
Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	1.00 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 7. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray

Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1952 and expressly for the following purposes to wit:

1. For the support of the Public Library.
2. For the Selectmen's current expenses and salaries.
3. For the Treasurer's current expenses and salary.
4. For the Town Clerk's current expenses and salaries.
5. For the Assessor's current expenses and salaries.
6. For the Tax Collector's current expenses and salary.
7. For the Board of Registrar's current expenses and salaries.
8. For the salary of Town Auditor.
9. For the Sealer of Weights and Measures' current expenses and salary.
10. For the payment of Insurance.
11. For Welfare.
12. Aid Dependent Children.
13. For Old Age Assistance.
14. For Veteran's Benfits.
15. For Highways and Bridges, center of Town.
16. For Memorial Day.
17. For Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt.
18. For Fire Department for current expenses and salaries.
19. For Street Lights.
20. For Water Department incidentals, pumping and salaries.
21. For Board of Health current expenses and salaries.
22. For Police Department including Night Patrol.
23. For Tree Warden.
24. For Removal of Snow.

25. For Park Commissioners.
26. For Support of School and salaries of School Committee.
27. Town Forest Committee.
28. For heating and maintenance of Fire Station and Town Office Building.
29. For maturing debt.
30. For Welfare Agent.
31. For Wire Inspector, salary and expenses.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Town Clerk, and Secretary of the Water Commissioner's bond placed with a fidelity or guarantee company, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the carrying on of the Moth work for the coming year.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund to provide for the extraordinary unforeseen expenses, as authorized by Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the operation of Road Machinery or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Town Dump, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, or any other sum, to continue the drainage program, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for all control work against the Dutch Elm Disease, as set forth by Section 13, Chapter 761, Act of 1949, to be expended under the direction of the Moth Superintendent, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the hiring of a Day Patrolman for the Police Department, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to relocate and rebuild Taunton Street from Cowell Street to the Wrentham line to meet the new road the Town of Wrentham has built, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00, or any other sum, to start said construction, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. The estimated cost of this new road in Plainville is \$20,000.00, of which amount the State will provide \$10,000.00, Norfolk County \$5,000.00 and the Town \$5,000.00.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$770.70, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as its share of the cost of the Norfolk

County Retirement System, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00, or any other sum, for the use of the athletic department of the schools, as provided for in Chapter 658, Acts of 1950 a revision of Sec. 47, Chapter 71, of the General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to install one Street Light at or near the corner of East Bacon Street and Vernor Young Drive, and the money to pay for same be raised and appropriated under Sec. 19 of Article 7, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to install seven Street Lights on Messinger Street, easterly from Taunton Street to a point about opposite the home of Charles Varieur, and the money to pay for same to be raised and appropriated under Section 19, of Article 7, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (Petition)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to install new Street Lights on South Street from the driveway of new Elementary School southerly to about Bacon Square, and two lights of more powerful candle power at the junction of East and West Bacon Street, the money to pay for same to be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 7, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2000.00, or any other sum for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Chapter 118D amending 118C, inserted by Chapter 658 of the General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. This chapter has to do with aid for Disabled and Blind persons.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, or any other sum, for the carrying out of the State Vocational Education Program as provided for in Section 7 and 8 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (This account to be handled by the School Committee.)



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00, or any other sum for the purpose of building and equipping of a sanitary station in the Town Park, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (Park Commission)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to install a four inch water main under South Street and along the Park property to a point about opposite the southern entrance to the Fire Station, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, or any other sum, to pay for same, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (Park Commission)

Article 29. (Water Committee.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,350.00, or any other sum for the extension of water on Berry Street, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 30. (Water Committee). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00, or any other sum for the repair of Berry Street after the installation of water, do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 31. (Water Committee). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,525.00, or any other sum for the installation of water on Sydney and Moran Streets and Cooney Avenue, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 32. (Water Committee). To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$640.00, or any other sum for the repairs of Sydney and Moran Streets and Cooney Avenue, after the installation of the water, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 33. (Water Committee) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,860.00, or any other sum for the continuation of the water system on East Bacon Street Extension for about 1000 ft. more or less, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 34. (Water Committee) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, or any other sum for the repairs of East Bacon Street Extension after the installation of the water, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 35. (Petition) To see if the Town will vote to increase the members of the School Committee from three

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(3) to five (5) members, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 36. To choose any committee and to hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in seven (7) Public Places in said town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time and place of said meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

(Seal)                      ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
LEROY B. WILSON  
NORMAN A. MCGILL

### Selectmen of Plainville

a true copy

Attest: Herbert A. Morse  
Constable Town of Plainville

This 23rd Day of February, 1952

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

Plainville Mass.  
February 23, 1952

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrant in seven public places in the Town of Plainville, Mass. nine days before the said Town Meeting.

HERBERT A. MORSE,  
Police Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February  
1952

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,  
Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL  
TOWN MEETING**

**Town Hall, Plainville, March 3, 1952**

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the 48th Annual Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall, it being the first Monday in March.

The Ballot Box was inspected by the Town Clerk, found empty, and locked and key turned over to Police Officer.

Ballot Clerks: Nellie P. King and Harriet F. Washburn.  
Tellers: Dacia Anderson and Frank King. Ballot Box and Police Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen, were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by the Town Clerk.

Warden and Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting, and at 6 a.m., the Polls were declared open.

At 9 A.M., the Town Clerk in the absence of the Moderator, called the meeting to order, and not having a quorum present, the meeting was adjourned to the Town Hall, March 3, 1952, at 7:30 P.M.

At 3 P.M., by vote, the polls were declared closed. There were 111 ballots cast, 111 names checked on voting lists, and the Ballot Box registered 111 ballots.

**Town Hall, March 3, 1952**

Moderator Charles O. Peasley called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and asked that Rev. John M. Bowmar offer a short prayer.

The voters were checked into the hall, with 173 names checked on the Voting Lists.

Article 1. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted that the following named act as Measurers of Wood, Bark and Lumber for the ensuing year: Harry O. Proal, George H. Snell, Everett Skinner and Jesse W. Franklin.

Motion by Arthur W. Washburn and unanimously voted that the following named act as Fence Viewers and Field

Drivers for the ensuing year: Chester A. Meyer, Herbert A. Morse and Elmer C. Pease.

Article 2. The Town Clerk read the results of the balloting as follows:

**Moderator—For One Year**

Charles O. Peasley	107
Blanks	4

**Town Clerk—For One Year**

Arthur W. Washburn	110
Blanks	1

**Selectman and Welfare Board—For Three Years**

Norman A. McGill	96
Blanks	15

**School Committee—For Three Years**

Clinton E. Barton	106
Blanks	5

**Assessor—For Three Years**

Charles J. Quirk	106
Blanks	5

**Water Commissioner—For Three Years**

Alton E. French	101
Blanks	10

**Water Commissioner—For Two Years**

Gordon S. Proal	103
Blanks	8

**Trustee of Public Library—For Three Years**

Arthur W. Washburn	107
Blanks	4

**Auditor—For One Year**

Lawrence H. Carpenter	108
Blanks	3

**Park Commissioner—For Three Years**

Clarence E. Skinner, Jr.	106
Blanks	5

**Constables—For One Year**

Chester A. Meyer	103
Herbert A. Morse	103
Elmer C. Pease	107
Blanks	20

**Tree Warden—For One Year**

Alec H. Fredrickson	109
Blanks	2

Article 3. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted we accept the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers as printed in the Town Report with the exception of any typographical errors.

Article 4. No action. (Adjournment)

Article 5. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 6. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town, as provided for by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

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Assessors, chairman	400.00 per year
Second Member	400.00 per year
Third Member	400.00 per year
Tax Collector	600.00 per year
School Committee	40.00 each member
Water Commissioners.	
Chairman and Supt.	200.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year
Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	1.00 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

Article 7. It was unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to defray Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1952, and expressly for the following purposes to wit:

Section	Motion by	Appropriated for	Amount
1.	Alpin Chisholm, Public Library (including Dog Tax)		\$600.00
2.	Alpin Chisholm, Selectmen's Expenses, \$1,800.00, Selectmen's Salaries \$700.00		2500.00
3.	Alpin Chisholm, Treasurer's Expenses \$200.00, Treasurer's Salary \$600.00		800.00
4.	Alpin Chisholm, Town Clerk's Expenses \$200.00, Town Clerk's Salary \$300.00		500.00
5.	Alpin Chisholm, Assesor's Expenses \$300.00, Assessor's Salary \$1,200.00		1,500.00
6.	Alpin Chisholm, Tax Collector's Exp., 250.00, Tax Collector's Salary \$600.00		850.00
7.	Alpin Chisholm, Board of Registrar's Expenses, \$50.00, Board of Registrar's Salaries \$600.00		650.00
8.	Alpin Chisholm, Auditor's Salary		75.00
9.	Alpin Chisholm, Sealer of Weights and Measure Expenses, \$25.00, Salaries \$50.00		75.00
10.	Alpin Chisholm, Insurance		2,450.00
11.	Alpin Chisholm, General Welfare		2,500.00
12.	Alpin Chisholm, Aid Dependent Children		400.00
13.	Alpin Chisholm, Old Age Assistance		11,000.00
14.	Alpin Chisholm, Veterans' Benefits		100.00
15.	Alpin Chisholm, Highways and Bridges, Center of Town		4,000.00
16.	Alpin Chisholm, Memorial Day		200.00
17.	Alpin Chisholm, Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt		6,300.00
18.	Alpin Chisholm, Fire Dept. Expenses, \$2,670.00, Salaries \$1,730.00		4,400.00
19.	Alpin Chisholm, Street Lights		5,400.00
20.	Alpin Chisholm, Water Dept. Salaries \$250.00, Pumping and Services \$5,250.00		5,500.00



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21. Alpin Chisholm, Board of Health	1,700.00
22. Alpin Chisholm, Police Dept., including Night patrol	4,600.00
23. Alpin Chisholm, Tree Warden	300.00
24. Alpin Chisholm, Snow Removal	3,000.00
25. Alpin Chisholm, Park Commissioners	900.00
26. Alpin Chisholm, Support of Schools, \$68,606.00 Salary School Committee \$120.00	68,726.00
27. Alpin Chisholm, Town Forest	75.00
28. Alpin Chisholm, Maintenance Town Office Bldg.	1,100.00
29. Alpin Chisholm, Maturing Debt	20,000.00
30. Alpin Chisholm, Welfare Agent	800.00
31. Alpin Chisholm, Wire Inspector's Expense \$50.00, Salary \$200.00	250.00

Article 8. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Secretary of the Water Department Commission Bonds placed with a fidelity or guarantee company, and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to pay for same.

Article 9. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 10. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the carrying on of the Moth work for the ensuing year.

Article 11. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$4,358.27 be raised and appropriated for

a Reserve Fund for extraordinary unforeseen expenses, this amount to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account.

Article 12. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we transfer \$423.75 from the Road Machinery Reserve Account to Highways and Bridges, Center of Town Account, for operation of Road Machinery.

Article 13. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted that we accept the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the cost of the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that in addition the sum of \$1,400.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursement from the State and County to be restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Article 14. Motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$4,300.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that in addition the sum of \$9,075.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work. The reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Article 15. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care and maintenance of the Town Dump.

Article 16. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to continue the drainage program.

Article 17. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated for the control of the Dutch Elm disease.

Article 18. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that no action be taken on the hiring of a Day Patrolman.

Article 19. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that no action be taken on the relocation of Taunton Street from Route 1 to the Wrentham line.

Article 20. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that the sum of \$770.70 be raised and appropriated, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as its share of the cost of the Norfolk County Retirement System.

Article 21. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the use of the Athletic Department of the schools.

Article 22. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we install one street light on Vernon Young Drive, and the amount of \$16.00 be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 7.

Article 23. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we install seven street lights on Messenger Street, easterly from Taunton Street to a point about opposite the home of Charles Varieur, and the amount of \$112.00 be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 7.

Article 24. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we install new street lights on South Street from the driveway of the new Elementary School southerly to about Bacon Square, and two lights of more powerful candle power at the junction of East and West Bacon Street, and the amount of \$352.00 be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 7.

Article 25. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Chapter 118D amending 118C, inserted by Chapter 658 of the General Laws. This Chapter has to do with aid for permanently disabled and blind persons.

Article 26. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, for the carrying out of the State Vocational Educational Program as provided for in Section 7 and 8 of Chapter 74, General Laws. This account to be handled by the School Committee.

Article 27. The motion by Alpin Chisholm to postpone action on this article being defeated, Mr. Chisholm again made the motion that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of building and equipping a sanitary station in the Town Park. This vote was unanimous.

Article 28. On motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to install a four inch water main under South Street and along the Park property to a point about opposite the southern entrance to the Fire Station.

Article 29. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,350.00 for the extension of water on Berry Street.

Article 30. Motion by Alpin Chisolm, and unanimously voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the repair of Berry Street after the installation of water.

Article 31. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,525.00 for the installation of water on Sydney and Moran Streets, and Cooney Avenue.

Article 32. Motion by Alpin Chisholm to raise and appropriate the sum of \$640.00 for the repair of Sydney and Moran Streets and Cooney Avenue after the installation of water, was amended by Reginald Keyes to strike out Moran Street, so as to read: "To raise and appropriate the sum of \$640.00 for the repair of Sydney Street and Cooney Avenue after the installation of water. The vote on the amendment was unanimous.

Article 33. The vote on the motion by Alpin Chisholm to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,860.00 for the continuation of the water system on E. Bacon Street Extension for about 1000 feet, more or less, being doubted, the Moderator called for a standing vote, the results of which was: Yes 128, No, 10.

Article 34. Motion by Alpin Chisholm, and unanimously voted that we raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the

repairs of East Bacon Street Extension after the installation of water.

Article 35. Motion by Harvey Morse that we increase the School Committee from three (3) to five (5) members was amended, and that the method of electing the new members to their terms of office be left to the State Board. The amendment was carried. Mr. Telford explained that there was no State Board that would handle this matter, and the method of electing to the term of office for the new members would be set up by Mr. Dion of the Office of the Director of Accounts. Mr. Telford then moved for a reconsideration of the whole matter. The vote for reconsideration carried.

Mr. Harvey Morse then made a motion that we elect two (2) new members to the School Committee at the next Annual Town Meeting. Motion carried.

Article 36. Mr. Robert Fawcett reported for the Committee appointed at the start of the meeting by the Moderator to bring in the names for a Finance or Advisory Committee. The following names were presented: Ralph E. Crowell, Reginald B. Keyes, Oliver P. Brown, Charles F. Breen, Jr., and Alpin Chisholm, and they were duly elected.

On motion by Chairman of the Finance Committee, Alpin Chisholm, it was unanimously voted to transfer the sum of \$10,500.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the use of the Assessors for the reduction of taxes.

On motion by Arthur W. Washburn, and unanimously voted that a Committee of five (5) be appointed to recommend what disposition should be made of the Old High School Building, and report at the next Town Meeting. The Committee to be appointed as follows: One to be appointed by the Selectmen from their membership; one by the Finance Committee from their membership; one by the School Planning Committee from their membership, and two by the Moderator.

Meeting adjourned by vote at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,  
Town Clerk



**WARRANT FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**  

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**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, who are qualified to vote in Primaries, to meet in the Town Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 29th, 1952

at 12 o'clock Noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

10 DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

10 ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

16 DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Democrat Party.

16 ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Republican Party for the 14th Congressional District.

2 ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Republican Party for the 14th Congressional District.

4 DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Democratic Party for the 14th Congressional District.

4 ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Democratic Party for the 14th Congressional District.



DISTRICT MEMBERS OF STATE COMMITTEE — (One Man and One Woman) for each political party for the Middlesex & Norfolk Senatorial District.

15 MEMBERS OF THE REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE.

....MEMBERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE.

The polls will be open from 12 Noon to 8:00 P.M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of April, A.D., 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
LEROY B. WILSON  
NORMAN A. MCGILL

Selectmen of Plainville

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable

This 19th day of April, 1952.

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April 19, 1952

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

This is to certify that I have posted seven (7) warrants 10 days before the said Town Meeting, in seven (7) public places.

HERBERT A. MORSE  
Police Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of April, 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,  
Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**

The Presidential Primary was held in the Town Hall, April 29, 1952.

Ballot Clerks: Nellie P. King and Harriet F. Washburn.  
Tellers: Frank King and Dacia Anderson. Ballot Box and  
Police Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by the Town Clerk.

Warden & Election Officer. Arthur W. Washburn.

The Ballot Box was inspected, found empty and locked by Town Clerk, and key turned over to Police Officer.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting, and at 12 noon the Polls were declared open.

The Polls were closed at 8 P. M., total number of ballots cast: 377, consisting of 366 Republican Ballots and 11 Democratic Ballots: 377 names checked on Voting Lists and Ballot Box registered 377 Ballots cast.

The result of the Balloting was as follows:

**REPUBLICAN****Delegate At Large To National Convention**

Leverett Saltonstall	256
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	237
Joseph William Martin, Jr.	277
Sinclair Weeks	213
Katherin G. Howard	201
Daniel Tyler, Jr.	197
Robert F. Bradford	217
Richard I. Furbush	206
Charles Gibbons	220
Clarence A. Barnes	237
Blanks	1399
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Total Votes Cast	3660

**Alternate Delegates At Large**

Carroll L. Meins	196
Maxwell M. Rabb	192
Basil Brewer	210
John A. Volpe	188
Julia B. Kirlin	187
Esther W. Wheeler	196
Louis Van N. Washburn	192
Robert C. Cochrane, Jr.	190
Jean L. Olmsted	205
George W. Schryver	200
Blanks	1704
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Total Votes Cast	3660

**District Delegates — 14th District Group No. 1**

Beatrice Hancock Mullaney	185
H. Edward Snow	186
Blanks	361
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Total Votes Cast	732

**Alternate Delegates — 14th District**

Warren R. Gilmore	199
Talbot T. Tweedy	179
Blanks	354
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Total Votes Cast	732

**District Delegates — 14th District Group No. 2**

John S. Ames, Jr.	170
Richard Saltonstall	155
Blanks	407
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Total Vote Cast	732

**Alternate Delegates — 14th District Group No. 2**

Edward H. Bowen	144
Henri Prunaret	146
Blanks	442
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Total Votes Cast	732

**State Committee — Middlesex & Norfolk District****Man**

Addison C. Armstrong	175
Edward P. Wyeth	34
Blanks	157
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Total Votes Cast	366

**Woman**

Ann C. Gannett	100
Ruth J. Leavitt	101
Blanks	165
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Total Votes Cast	366

**Town Committee**

Clarence F. Telford	318
Charles O. Peasley	295
Arthur W. Washburn	305
Sydney J. Andrews	287
Henry J. Poirier	278
Charles J. Quirk	290
Oliver P. Brown	291
Donald E. Breen	290
Harding P. Hamant	278
John A. Kenerson	281
Harry H. Morse	288
Harvey C. Morse	283
Morey G. Day	281
William S. Grocut, Jr.	279
Arthur W. Washburn, Jr.	293
Blanks	1153
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Total Votes Cast	5490

**Presidential Preference**

Taft	111
Eisenhower	174
Stassen	1
Warren	1
MacArthur	8
Blanks	71
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Total Votes Cast	366

**DEMOCRATIC****Delegates At Large To National Convention**

Paul A. Dever	10
John W. McCormack	8
Maurice J. Tobin	8
John B. Hynes	8
William J. Foley	7
Henry Brides	7
J. William Belanger	6
James M. Curley	6
Margaret M. O'Riordan	7
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.	7
John C. Carr	8
John E. Powers	6
Daniel B. Brunton	7
Mary DePasquale Murray	7
Charles I. Taylor	7
John W. Coddair, Jr.	7
Blanks	60
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Total Votes Cast	176

**Alternate Delegates At Large**

Edward A. Pecce	6
J. Henry Goguen	5
Peter J. Levanti	5
James Leo O'Connor	6
Stanislaus G. Wondolowski	6
Edward F. Doolan	6
Salvatore Camello	6
Paul T. Smith	8
Charles Collatos	6
Elizabeth A. Stanton	6
Louis H. Glaser	6
Helen J. Fay	6
Silas F. Taylor	6
Francis H. Murray, Jr.	6
Thomas F. Graham	6
Edith T. Wilcox	6
Blanks	80
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Total Votes Cast	176

**District Delegates — 14th District — Group No. 1**

Joseph P. Clark, Jr.	9
Francis X. Casey	10
William P. Grant	7
Arthur R. Machado	8
Blanks	10
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Total Votes Cast	44

**Alternate Delegates — Group No. 1**

Francis W. Harrington	9
Matthew J. Kuss	7
Franklin R. McKay	10
George E. Talbot	7
Blanks	11
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Total Votes Cast	44

**District Delegates — 14th District — Group No. 2**

John F. Kane	9
Francis J. O'Neil	11
David D. Talbot	8
William E. White	8
Blanks	8
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Total Votes Cast	44

**Alternate Delegates — Group No. 2**

Bernard F. Cleary	7
Kathryn R. Hearn	7
Antone Perreira	7
James H. Sullivan	9
Blanks	14
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Total Votes Cast	44

**Delegates — Not Grouped**

Edward P. Grace	8
Patrick H. Harrington, Jr.	10
Blanks	4
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Total Votes Cast	22



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## State Committee — Middlesex & Norfolk — Man

Francis C. McKenna	8
Blanks	3
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Total Votes Cast	11

## Woman

Helen Moran O'Connor	9
Blanks	2
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Total Votes Cast	11

## Democratic Town Committee

No Votes

## Presidential Preference

Kefauver	3
Stassen	1
Haufman	1
Blanks	6
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Total Votes Cast	11

A true copy.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To Either of the Constables of Plainville, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in Town Hall in said Plainville, on

MONDAY, MAY 19, 1952

at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,500.00, or any other sum, from the Surplus Revenue Account to be used by the Assessors for the reduction of the Tax Rate, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to make a written contract with the Water Commissioners of North Attleborough, for a period of not more than ten years to furnish the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville with water, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at seven (7) Public Places in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time and place of said meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

LeROY B. WILSON

Selectmen of Plainville

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable

This 10th day of May, 1952.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

Plainville, Mass.

May 10, 1952

This is to certify that I have posted 7 copies of the within Warrant 9 days before the said Town Meeting in 7 Public Places.

HERBERT A. MORSE

Police Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

A Special Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall, Plainville, Monday, May 19, 1952.

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M. The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting. 27 present.

Article 1. Motion by Oliver P. Brown, and unanimously voted to transfer the sum of \$10,500. from the Surplus Revenue Account, to be used by the Assessors for the reduction of the tax rate.

Article 2. Motion by Harry B. Thompson, and unanimously voted that the Town authorize the Water Commissioners to make a written contract with the Water Commissioners of North Attleborough, for a period of not more than ten years, to furnish the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville with water.

Adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

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**WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in High School Building, in said Plainville,

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1952

at TEN o'clock A.M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth.

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH for this Commonwealth.

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL for this Commonwealth.

AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH for this Commonwealth.

ATTORNEY GENERAL for this Commonwealth.

SENATOR IN CONGRESS for this Commonwealth.

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS for the 14th Congressional District.

COUNCILLOR for this 3rd Councillor District.

SENATOR for Middlesex and Norfolk Senatorial District.

ONE REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT for this 9th Norfolk Representative District.

CLERK OF COURTS for this Norfolk County.

REGISTER OF DEEDS for this Norfolk District.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (2) for this Norfolk County.

SHERIFF TO FILL VACANCY for this Norfolk County.

The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in High School Building, in said Plainville,

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1952

at ten o'clock A.M. then and there to vote "YES" or "NO", on the following referendum:

"Shall a declaration be made by popular referendum, pursuant to the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended, that a substantial shortage of housing accommodations exists which

requires the continuance of federal rent control in this town after September 30, 1952, until the close of April 30, 1953, in accordance with the provisions of said Act?"

The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of August, A.D. 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
LEROY B. WILSON  
NORMAN A. MCGILL

Selectmen of Plainville

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable

This Sixth day of September, 1952.

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Plainville, Massachusetts

September 6, 1952

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

This is to certify that I have posted seven (7) copies of the within Warrant in seven (7) Public Places, ten (10) days before the said Town Meeting.

HERBERT A. MORSE,

Police Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of September, 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF STATE PRIMARY ELECTION**

The Primary Election was held in High School Building, Tuesday, September 16, 1952. At this election each voter was also given a ballot to vote Yes or No on Rent Control.

Ballot Clerks: Harriet Washburn and Bessie Barton.

Tellers: Frank King, Dacia Anderson, Ruth Fulton, Nellie King, and Harold Anderson.

Ballot Box and Police Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties, by the Town Clerk.

Warden and Election Officer: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Ballot Box was inspected, found empty and locked, and key turned over to Police Officer.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting, and at 10 A. M. the Polls were declared open. The Polls were closed at 8 P. M.

The Ballot Box registered 1230 ballots cast. Checked on voting lists, 615 names.

Republican Ballots cast:	599
Democratic Ballots Cast:	16
Rent Control Ballots cast:	
Yes: 329	No: 222,
	Blanks: 64,
	615
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	1230

The results of the balloting was as follows; viz:

**REPUBLICAN****Governor**

Christian A. Herter	492
Blanks	107



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## Lt. Governor

Sumner G. Whittier	480
Blanks	119

## Secretary

Beatrice Hancock Mullaney	464
Blanks	135

## Treasurer

Fred J. Burrell	277
Roy Charles Papalia	229
Blanks	93

## Auditor

David J. Mintz	469
Blanks	130

## Attorney General

George Fingold	480
Blanks	119

## Senator In Congress

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	500
Blanks	91

## Congressman — Fourteenth District

Joseph William Martin, Jr.	538
Blanks	61

## Councillor — Third District

Otis M. Whitney	466
Blanks	133

## Senator — Middlesex & Norfolk District

Charles W. Olson	389
Paul T. Burke	102
Blanks	108

**Representative In General Court — Ninth Norfolk District**

Clarence F. Telford	576
Ellis F. Brown	21
Blanks	2

**Clerk of Courts — Norfolk County**

Willis A. Neal	464
Blanks	135

**Register of Deeds — Norfolk District**

L. Thomas Shine	471
Blanks	128

**County Commissioners — Norfolk County**

Russell T. Bates	436
Clayton W. Nash	341
Blanks	421

**Sheriff — Norfolk County (to fill vacancy)**

Samuel H. Wragg	482
Blanks	117

**DEMOCRATIC****Governor**

Paul A. Dever	10
Blanks	6

**Lt. Governor**

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	6
Thomas B. Brennan	2
Edward C. Carroll	0
Thomas J. Kurey	0
C. Gerald Lucey	2
Joseph L. Murphy	2
Blanks	4

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### Secretary

Edward J. Cronin	11
Blanks	5

### Treasurer

William R. Conley	0
Cornelius P. Cronin	4
James E. V. Donelan	0
Foster Furcolo	2
John F. Kennedy	4
Jeremiah F. Murphy, Jr.	0
Alexander Francis Sullivan	2
Blanks	4

### Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley	9
Blanks	7

### Attorney General

Francis E. Kelly	10
Robert T. Capeless	3
George Leary	0
John V. Moran	1
Blanks	2

### Senator In Congress

John F. Kennedy	13
Blanks	3

### Congressman — Fourteenth District

Edward F. Doolan	6
Joseph M. Mendonca	2
Blanks	8

### Councillor — Third District

Daniel T. Carey	3
Joseph P. Duca	0
Donald B. Falvey, Jr.	1
Edmund S. K. Haverty	2

Thomas G. Quinn	2
Blanks	8

**Senator — Middlesex & Norfolk District**

John Charles Fiore	5
Francis C. McKenna	6
Blanks	5

**Representatives In General Court — Ninth Norfolk District**

Blanks	16
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**Clerk of Courts — Norfolk County**

Blanks	16
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**Registrar of Deeds     Norfolk County**

Blanks	16
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**County Commissioners — Norfolk County**

George E. Brophy	4
Thomas J. Collins	3
Blanks	25

**Sheriff — Norfolk County (to fill vacancy)**

Blanks	16
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ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Town Clerk

**WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Plainville,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of

the Town of Plainville to meet in High School Building in said Plainville, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 1952

at 6 o'clock A.M., it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month, then and there to give their votes for the following officers:

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth.

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH for the  
Commonwealth.

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL for this  
Commonwealth.

AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH for this  
Commonwealth.

ATTORNEY GENERAL for this Commonwealth.

SENATOR IN CONGRESS for this Commonwealth.

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS for the 14th  
Congressional District.

COUNCILLOR for 3rd Councillor District.

SENATOR for Middlesex and Norfolk Senatorial  
District.

ONE REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT for  
9th Norfolk Representative District.

CLERK OF COURTS for Norfolk County.

REGISTER OF DEEDS for Norfolk District.

TWO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS for Norfolk  
County.

SHERIFF TO FILL VACANCY for Norfolk County.

And also vote "YES" or "NO" on the following questions:

**QUESTION NO. 1**

A. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)? YES. NO.

B. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)? YES. NO.

C. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises? YES. NO.

The Polls will be open from 6 o'clock A.M. to 8 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at seven (7) Public Places in said Town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

LEROY B. WILSON

NORMAN A. MCGILL

Selectmen of Plainville

A true copy. Attest:

HERBERT A. MORSE, Constable

This 27th day of October, 1952.



October 27, 1952  
Plainville, Massachusetts

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

This copy is to certify that I have posted seven (7) of the within Warrants in seven (7) Public Places seven (7) days before the said State Election.

HERBERT A. MORSE

Police Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of October, 1952.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Town Clerk

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**PROCEEDINGS OF STATE ELECTION**

The State Election was held in High School Building, Plainville, Tuesday, November 4, 1952.

Ballot Clerks: Bessie Barton, Nellie P. King.

Tellers: Frank King, Dacia Anderson, Theodore A. Wickman, Harriet F. Washburn, Ruth R. Fulton and Harold Anderson.

Ballot Box Officer: Courtland Fairbanks.

The above having been appointed by the Selectmen, were duly sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties by the Town Clerk.

Election Officer and Warden: Arthur W. Washburn.

The Ballot Box was inspected, found empty and locked, and keys were turned over to Police Officer.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting and at 6 A. M., the Polls were declared open.

At 6:30 A. M. the Election Officials voted to remove fifty (50) ballots from the ballot box and commence counting.

The Polls were closed at 8 P. M.

The number of ballot cast was 1133, and 1133 names were checked on voting lists, and the ballot box registered 1133 names as having voted. Four (4) ballots were spoiled.

Regular Ballots	1098
Absentee Ballots	25
War Ballots	10
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Total cast	1133

The results of the Balloting was as follows:

#### **Electors of President and Vice President**

Eisenhower and Nixon, Republican	889
Hallinan and Bass, Peace Progressive	0
Hamblen and Holtwick, Prohibition	0
Hass and Emery, Socialist Labor	3
Stevenson and Sparkman, Democratic	214
Blanks	27

#### **Governor**

Paul A. Dever, Democratic	204
Christian A. Herter, Republican	894
Lawrence Gilfedder, Socialist Labor	4
Florence H. Luscomb, Peace Progressive	4
Guy S. Williams, Prohibition	0
Blanks	27

#### **Lieutenant Governor**

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan, Democratic	200
Sumner G. Whittier, Republican	882
William R. Ferry, Prohibition	2
Francis A. Votano, Socialist Labor	3
Blanks	46

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## Secretary

Edward J. Cronin, Democratic	203
Beatrice Hancock Mullaney, Republican	863
Alice M. Ferry, Prohibition	1
Fred M. Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	3
Blanks	63

## Treasurer

Foster Furcolo, Democratic	190
Roy Charles Papalia, Republican	874
Henning A. Blomen, Socialist Labor	4
Harold J. Ireland, Prohibition	1
Blanks	64

## Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley, Democratic	224
David J. Mintz, Republican	842
Anthony Martin, Socialist Labor	3
Robert A. Simmons, Prohibition	0
Blanks	64

## Attorney General

Francis E. Kelly, Democratic	197
George Fingold, Republican	875
Arthur W. Blomen, Socialist Labor	3
Howard B. Rand, Prohibition	1
Blanks	57

## Senator In Congress

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Republican	859
John F. Kennedy, Democratic	246
Thelma Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	2
Mark R. Shaw, Prohibition	0
Blanks	26

## Congressman — Fourteenth District

Joseph William Martin, Jr., Republican	922
Edward F. Doolan, Democratic	184
Grace Farnsworth Luder, Prohibition	2
Blanks	25

## Councillor — Third District

Otis M. Whitney, Republican	868
Thomas C. Quinn, Democratic	186
Blanks	79

**Senator — Middlesex & Norfolk District**

Charles W. Olson, Republican	884
John Charles Fiore, Democratic	187
Blanks	62

**Representative In General Court — Ninth Norfolk District**

Clarence F. Telford, Republican	1075
Blanks	68

**Clerk of Courts — Norfolk County**

George Philip Carney, Democratic	204
Willis A. Neal, Republican	848
Blanks	81

**Register of Deeds — Norfolk District**

L. Thomas Shine, Republican	974
Blanks	159

**County Commissioners — Norfolk County**

Russel T. Bates, Republican	780
Clayton W. Nash, Republican	739
George E. Brophy, Democratic	145
Thomas J. Collins, Democratic	146
Blanks	456

**Sheriff — Norfolk County (To fill vacancy)**

Samuel H. Wragg, Republican	859
John H. Brownell, Democratic	182
Blanks	92

**Question No. 1**

A. Sale of All Alcoholic Beverages:	Yes	772
Malt Beverages, Wines	No	204
Blanks		157
B. Sale of Wines & Malt Beverages:	Yes	762
	No	179
Blanks		192
C. All Alcoholic Package Stores:	Yes	794
	No	167
Blanks		172

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

## BIRTHS RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1952

Date	Name	Parents
<b>1951</b>		
<b>November</b>		
13—	William Arthur Jordan	Arthur-Hazel Beals
<b>1952</b>		
<b>January</b>		
3—	Gary Robert Cooper	Robert Bernard-Shirley Jean Liberty
6—	Dianne Marilyn Blazic	Mario Paul-Theresa Imelda McMahon
6—	David Chester Kettell	Chester Miller-Priscilla Lowell Hopkins
8—	Debbra Louise Savage	Charles Ernest-Jeanne Esther Plouffe
8—	Linda Joan Armitage	Thomas Benson-Joan Lois Babbitt
16—	Richard Edward Green	Thomas-Dorothy Rose Osswald
21—	Patricia Ruth O'Neil	Edward Joseph-Ruth Darling
<b>February</b>		
2—	Gale Andrea Sutton	Glenn A.-Frankie M. Chambers
4—	Beth Ann McKechnie	Walter-Beverly Ann Adams
16—	Merrill George Hastings, Jr.	Merrill George-Pauline Louise Goulet
28—	Paul Richard Proal	Gordon Stuart-Clare T. Begley
29—	Robert Milton Stephens	Roy-Veronica T. Smith
<b>March</b>		
3—	Stillman Ray Sprague	Stillman Mador-Marilyn Ann Proal
5—	Marcia Lee Mitchell	Robert James-Caroline Amy Girard
18—	Elaine Jean Fink	Walter-Jeanne Fontaine
20—	Michael John Cooper	John Paul, Jr.-Elizabeth S. Perreault





**September**

- 3—Laurel Ann Plante                      Richard D.-Lea Rita Allard  
4—Joan Marie Wolf              Otto William-Elizabeth Astric Quist  
6—Richard Charles Christensen  
                                 Richard James-Dorothy Florence Perry  
20—Bradley Douglas Gundlach  
                                 Carl Gundlach, Jr.-Barbara Jean Snell

**October**

- 2—Harold Edward Papineau, Jr.  
                                 Harold Edward-Stella Mary Olszewski  
3—Bradley Arthur Plante  
                                 George Cyprian-Georgette Mary Boelker  
3—Laura West Littleton  
                                 Robert Francis-Marjorie Frances West  
7—Paul Sumner Welsh, Jr.  
                                 Paul Sumner-Marjorie Joan Lovely  
25—Steven Michael Cooper              John Paul-Arlene Avery  
26—Larry Patton Keyes              Reginald B.-Ruth G. Patton

**November**

- 6—Merrill Nelson Falk II              Merrill Nelson-Beatrice Mowry  
17—Pamela Jean Carvalho              Daniel-Claire Helen Chabot  
28—Katheryn Louise Dunbar  
                                 Stanley Edwin Dunbar (dec.)-Abbie E. Phinney

A true copy. Attest:

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Town Clerk

**MARRIAGES RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1952**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Married by</b>
<b>1951</b>		
<b>October</b>		
20—	Fred Everett Lougee, Jr., Plainville, Mass. Yvonne Giroux Caron, Jackman Plantation, Me. Lawrence D. Ryan, Justice of the Peace	
<b>1952</b>		
<b>February</b>		
2—	Thomas B. Kearney, Greystone, R. I. Evelyn M. Young (Farnham), Pawtucket, R. I. John M. Bowmar, Clergyman	
16—	Raymond Babbitt, Plainville, Mass. Doris Mae Pfeiffer, Plainville, Mass. Rev. Charles Graham, Minister of the Gospel	
16—	Berkley S. Davis, Plainville, Mass. Patricia M. Rood, Hyannis, Mass. Rev. S. Nelson Ringsmuth, Minister of the Gospel	
20—	Carl Gundlach, Jr., Plainville, Mass. Barbara Jean Snell, Plainville, Mass. John M. Bowmar, Clergyman	
23—	Robert Carvalho, Plainville, Mass. Eleanor G. Carlstrom, North Attleboro, Mass. J. Kenneth Pearson, Minister	
<b>March</b>		
1—	Raymond E. Paul, Plainville, Mass. Jean E. McLacklan, North Attleboro, Mass. John M. Bowmar, Clergyman	
31—	Harold Whiting Wheeler, Wrentham, Mass. Helen Ruth White, Plainville, Mass. Lionel A. Whiston, Minister	
<b>April</b>		
5—	John David Sargent, Attleboro, Mass. Joan Lorraine Roberts, North Attleboro, Mass. John M. Bowmar, Clergyman	
12—	Arnold Milton Ketell, Plainville, Mass. Marion Grace Kettell (Ralph), North Attleboro, Mass. Richard G. Colby, Clergyman	
13—	Robert H. Rammel, Plainville, Mass. Natalie E. Grant, Plainville, Mass. John M. Bowmar, Clergyman	

- 20—Edward Jesse Fountain, Plainville, Mass.  
Esther Frances Antinarelli, Boston, Mass.  
Daniel R. Foley, Priest

### June

- 20—Albert J. Beyesdorfer, Plainville, Mass.  
Elizabeth G. Gaskin, North Attleboro, Mass.  
Rev. Charles L. Berkey, Clergyman
- 25—George Pentleton, Plainville, Mass.  
Maude (Beam) Cheever, Plainville, Mass.  
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 28—James Arthur Card, Plainville, Mass.  
Agnes Estella (Dakin) Gilbert, Lansborough, Mass.  
Christian B. Jensen, Minister
- 28—Aime C. Hebert, North Attleboro, Mass.  
Lucy I. Sharron, Plainville, Mass.  
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman

### July

- 5—William Paul Dittrich, Plainville, Mass.  
Elizabeth Jensen, Plainville, Mass.  
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 16—Robert Walter Chace, Attleboro, Mass.  
Beverly Claire O'Brien, Plainville, Mass.  
Charles B. McLaughlin, Justice of the Peace
- 19—Joseph William Fish, Plainville, Mass.  
Mary Josephine McDonald, Boston, Mass.  
James J. Scally, Priest

### August

- 16—Foster Hopkins Burlin, North Attleboro, Mass.  
Esther Anne Clentimack, Plainville, Mass.  
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman
- 23—John E. Rioux, North Attleboro, Mass.  
Nancy Jane Rogers, Plainville, Mass.  
Rev. Edward J. Keating, S. J., Priest
- 30—Thomas Joseph Santos, Attleboro, Mass.  
Jeanine Bertha Theriault, Plainville, Mass.  
Rev. Edgar A. Theriault, S.M., Priest

### September

- 1—Richard A. Peterson, Plainville, Mass.  
Lorraine Beatrice Plante, North Attleboro, Mass.  
Edmund L. Dickinson, Priest
- 6—James Bernard Power, Jr., Plainville, Mass.  
Joan Frances McQuade, Plainville, Mass.  
John M. Bowmar, Clergyman



# DEATHS RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1952

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mo.	Day	Cause of Death
<b>Non-Resident</b>					
Feb. 18, 1952—	Beulah Edwards (Cook)	83	—	—	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 29, 1952—	Emma A. Wilson (Pierce)	79	4	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 30, 1952—	Jennie McCarthy	90	—	—	Myocardial Heart Disease
Apr. 3, 1952—	John Henry Hattman	88	11	23	Chronic Cardio-Reval Vascular Disease
Apr. 16, 1952—	Joseph Marcus Dohr	84	11	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
May 21, 1952—	Jennie Emily Nestor (Aldrich)	75	7	23	Myocardial Heart Disease
May 28, 1952—	Catherine Slattery	85	—	—	Chronic Myocarditis
June 1, 1952—	Kate Cohen (Berman)	63	8	17	Accident, compound fractured skull, internal injuries
June 21, 1952—	Lydia Eliza Harlow	83	8	3	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug. 23, 1952—	Sophie King Lovely	86	—	—	Coronary Thrombosis
Aug. 31, 1952—	Ralph Henry Dyer	75	2	11	Chronic Myocarditis
Dec. 14, 1952—	Ellen Ward Greene	87	9	1	Arterio Sclerosis
<b>Resident</b>					
Jan. 7, 1952—	Edwin William Pink	70	6	18	Cerebral Thrombosis
Jan. 19, 1952—	Eugene Dennett	55	7	0	Heart Disease
Feb. 15, 1952—	Norman Odell Stoddard	43	5	11	Hypertensive Heart Disease
Mar. 3, 1952—	Frances L. Walden (Young)	89	—	—	Acute Nephritis
Mar. 8, 1952—	George Chabot	47	7	2	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 14, 1952—	Barbara Fields-Klebes (Hackett)	91	10	19	Arterio-Sclerotic, Heart Disease
Mar. 14, 1952—	Elizabeth May Cleveland (Marble)	65	4	25	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 6, 1952—	Napoleon Charest	56	10	10	Hypostatic Broncho-pneumonia
Apr. 26, 1952—	Agnes M. Russell	54	2	—	Cerebral Thrombosis

# DEATHS RECORDED IN PLAINVILLE DURING 1952—Continued

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mo.	Day	Cause of Death
May 8, 1952—	Joseph Francis McQuade	55	3	13	Hypertensive Heart Disease
May 11, 1952—	Stillborn				
May 18, 1952—	Morey G. Day	69	6	29	Cancer of the rectum
May 20, 1952—	Stillborn				
June 2, 1952—	Hope Ashley Robinson (Williams)	85	3	26	Coronary Thrombosis
June 26, 1952—	Jacob Engelbert	77	5	10	Cerebral Hemorrhage
June 27, 1952—	Annabelle Crotty Read	79	10	—	Diabetes Mellitus
July 2, 1952—	Harriette Louise Hartman (Greenley)	63	3	8	Chronic Myocarditis
July 14, 1952—	Gilbert Wayne Schofield	5	—	4	Accident—Ruptured spleen and stomach
July 22, 1952—	Philip Albert Bennett	73	—	18	Acute Coronary Thrombosis
Sept. 11, 1952—	Arthur Beauchaine	56	6	18	Arterio sclerotic, Heart disease
Sept. 13, 1952—	Emily Clark	73	4	13	Hypertensive Heart Disease
Sept. 18, 1952—	Charles E. Works	61	3	18	Carcinoma of rectum Metastases to Liver
Sept. 20, 1952—	Alice Maude Jane Welch	90	6	25	Arterio sclerotic, Heart Disease
Oct. 14, 1952—	Ethel Maude Shepardson (Angell)	73	9	22	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Oct. 18, 1952—	Wilhelmina Stephen (Sharp)	88	3	16	Bronchopneumonia
Oct. 30, 1952—	Stillborn				
Oct. 31, 1952—	George Prentice Falk	63	2	4	Acute Myocardial Infarction
Nov. 11, 1952—	Wymen I. Bartlett	90	—	2	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Nov. 20, 1952—	Joseph Everton, Sr.	59	10	1	Bronchia-genic carcinoma

A true copy. Attest:

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk



## LICENSE FEES RECEIVED BY TOWN CLERK

Number of Dog Licenses: 269			\$631.00
6 Kennel Licenses	@	\$10.00	60.00
2 Kennel Licenses	@	25.00	50.00
1 Kennel License	@	50.00	50.00

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 \$791.00

Less fees:			55.60
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\$735.40

10 Common Victuallers	@	\$3.00	30.00
7 Lord's Day	@	3.00	21.00
1 Lord's Day (Part of year)	@	1.00	1.00
10 Sale of Gasoline	@	1.00	10.00
3 Week Day Amusement	@	1.00	3.00
1 Used Car Junk III	@	25.00	25.00
2 Auctioneers	@	2.00	4.00
1 Auctioneer	@	5.00	5.00
1 Junk	@	25.00	25.00
1 Dynamite	@	1.00	1.00
1 Manicuring	@	1.00	1.00
9 Wood Alcohol	@	1.00	9.00
4 Over Night Cabins	@	.50	2.00
1 Over Night Cabins applic.	@	3.00	3.00
2 Piggeries	@	1.00	2.00
2 Garbage	@	1.00	2.00
2 Manufacture of			
Frozen Dessert	@	5.00	10.00
2 Rooming House	@	1.00	2.00
1 Slaughtering	@	1.00	1.00
1 Manufacture of			
Sausage Meat	@	3.00	3.00
1 Sale of Firearms	@	5.00	5.00
1 Poultry Slaughter House	@	5.00	5.00
22 One Day Beer	@	1.00	22.00
1 Sunday Permit to Work	@	1.00	1.00
6 Business Certificates	@	1.00	6.00
2 Kindergarten Permits	@	1.00	2.00
1 Swedish Massage			
(part year)	@	3.00	3.00

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 \$204.00

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1 All Alcoholic Restaurant	500.00
1 All Alcoholic Club (part of year)	300.00
1 All Alcoholic Package Store	250.00
1 Beer & Wine Restaurant	100.00

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 1,150.00

## 1953 Licenses Paid in 1952:

5 Common Victuallers	@	3.00	15.00
1 Inn Holder	@	5.00	5.00
6 Week Day Amusement	@	1.00	6.00
2 Beer & Wine			
Package Store	@	100.00	200.00
1 Beer & Wine Restaurant	@	200.00	200.00
3 All Alcoholic Restaurant	@	500.00	1,500.00
2 All Alcoholic Club	@	500.00	1,000.00

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 2,926.00

## Paid to Town Treasurer:

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 \$5,015.40

Fishing Licenses	415
Hunting Licenses	231
Sporting Licenses	145
Minor Fishing	36
Female Fishing	81
Minor Trapping	2
Citizen Trapping	10
Special Fishing	2
Non Resident Minor Fishing	13
Non Resident Citizen Fishing	3
Non Resident Citizen Hunting	10
Duplicate licenses	4
Non Resident Military Sporting	4
Resident Citizen Sporting, Free	25
Resident Citizen Military Sporting, free	24
Resident Citizens Old Age, or	
Blind, Free	11

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ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

## APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Plainville, Mass.  
March 13, 1952

To Charles S. Cobb of said Plainville:

Sir:

By virtue of the authority in me vested, with full power of revocation, I do hereby appoint you Assistant Town Clerk of said Plainville, with all powers, duties and authority appertaining to said office.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

Town Clerk

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 REPORT OF TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

For Year Ending December 31, 1952

Arthur W. Washburn, Vital Statistics	\$106.00	
Walter F. Costello, Law Digest	3.00	
Typing	4.00	
Mass. Town Clerk's Assoc. dues	5.00	
Postage	25.00	
Binding Records	41.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	5.85	
Arthur W. Washburn, Salary	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$489.85
Appropriation	\$500.00	
Expended	489.85	
	<hr/>	\$ 10.15

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

**REPORT OF BOARD OF REGISTRARS EXPENSES**

Frank King, Salary	150.00	
Harold Anderson, Salary	150.00	
Dacia Anderson, Salary	150.00	
Arthur W. Washburn, Salary	150.00	
Typing, Street Lists	17.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., listing cards	9.90	
Supplies	12.15	
	<hr/>	\$639.05
Appropriation	\$650.00	
Expended	639.05	
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Balance	\$ 10.95	

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Clerk of Board

**REPORT OF TREE WARDEN**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as Tree Warden for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Appropriation	\$300.00
Labor:	
Trimming Trees and Cutting Brush	\$296.30
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Balance	\$3.70

Respectfully submitted,

ALEC FREDRICKSON,

Tree Warden

## JURY LIST

## Town of Plainville, Massachusetts

July 1952 — July 1953

Name	Address	Occupation
<b>MEN</b>		
Ballou, George W.,	Hancock Street	Steelworker
Carpenter, Lawrence H.,	Lincoln Avenue	Accountant
Callahan, James A.,	Hillcrest Drive	Office Manager
Cobb, Richard M.,	West Bacon Street	Engineer
Coles, Chester E.,	Warren Street	Toolmaker
Fanning, Frank W.,	School Street	Machinist
Grocút, William S., Jr.,	Hillcrest Drive	Salesman
Henrich, Frank V.,	Bacon Square	Jeweler
Hooker, Miles E.,	High Street	Insurance Salesman
Jensen, Lloyd A.,	Washington Street	Cabin Proprietor
O'Neil, Edward J.,	East Bacon Street	Accountant
Parker, Clarence P., Jr.,	South Street	Heating Engineer
Renner, Eric F.,	Berry Street	Polisher
Reynolds, Frederick C.,	South Street	Office Clerk
Sweeting, Fred,	Witherell Place	Toolmaker

**WOMEN**

Clarke, Viola L.,	South Street	Jeweler
Johnson, Barbara L.,	South Street	Housewife
King, Maida L.,	South Street	Clerk

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN,

Town Clerk

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## REPORT OF MOTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of the Moth Department for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Appropriation	\$800.00
State Tree Expert Company and Labor and Material	\$738.00
Truck Hire	\$54.50
Total Expenditures	\$792.50
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Balance	\$7.50

Respectfully submitted,

ALEC FREDRICKSON,

Moth Superintendent

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## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1952.

All cattle brought in from out of state were identified by ear tag and released.

The fall inspection asked for by the State has been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Inspector of Animals

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

of

PLAINVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS



For Year Ending December 31, 1952



## SCHOOL OFFICIALS

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### School Committee

CLINTON E. BARTON, Chairman                      Term Expires 1955  
Telephone North Attleboro 8-0214-W

MRS. RAYMOND SMITH, Secretary              Term Expires 1954  
Telephone North Attleboro 8-0653

EDWARD H. HEMMINGSEN                      Term Expires 1953  
Telephone North Attleboro 8-1391-R

Meeting of the School Committee is held in the Library of the Plainville Elementary School on the third Tuesday of each month.

### Union Superintendent of Schools, Norton and Plainville

LAURENCE G. NOURSE  
Residence Telephone, Norton 5-7952  
School Telephone, North Attleboro 8-1166

Superintendent may be reached at the office in the Plainville Elementary School every Tuesday, and other days by appointment.

### AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE WORK CERTIFICATES

ROLAND L. WOLCOTT, Principal  
Telephone, North Attleboro 8-0146 or 8-1166

### School Physician

DR. JOHN T. COTTER  
Telephone, North Attleboro 8-0204

### School Nurse

MRS. JANET W. CLAUDY  
Telephone, North Attleboro 8-0678-M

### Attendance Officer

ELMER C. PEASE

**SCHOOL CALENDAR—1952-1953****Elementary and High Schools:**

First term opens September 8, 1952  
First term closes December 23, 1952  
Second term opens January 5, 1953  
Second term closes February 20, 1953  
Third term opens March 2, 1953  
Third term closes April 17, 1953  
Fourth term opens April 27, 1953  
Fourth term closes:

Elementary School June 12, 1953  
High School June 19, 1953

**Holidays for all Schools:**

October 13, Columbus Day  
October 31, County Convention  
November 11, Armistice Day  
November 26, 1/2 day Elem.  
November 27-28, Thanksgiving  
December 23, 1/2 day Elem.  
April 3, 1953, Good Friday

**School Sessions:**

High School: Regular session 8:30 to 2:30  
Elementary School: 8:45 to 2:45

**No School Signals:**

7:30 A.M.—Three double blasts on fire alarm system signifies no school for all pupils for the day.

7:45 A.M.—Same signal signifies no school for Elementary pupils.

11:30 A.M.—Same signal signifies no school in the afternoon and Elementary pupils will stay in school until 1 P.M.

Plainville NO SCHOOL signals are broadcast over station WARA 7:00 A.M., 7:30 A.M., 8:00 A.M. and 8:30 A.M.

**REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

To the Citizens of Plainville:

We feel that the year 1952 has been another successful step forward in education in the Plainville Schools. Although having a large turn-over of teachers we have been able to secure one of the best teaching staffs in many years. Because of the increased enrollment in our Elementary School we have added two additional teachers—Miss Mary H. Zajac, as teacher of the additional first grade—Miss Jeanne A. Santos, teacher of the combined second and third grade. Miss Mary T. Donovan was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Drusilla G. Lyford, and Mr. Chester T. Pawlowski as teacher of grade 8, replacing Mr. Thomas Green. In the High School, Mrs. Mildred Wallace replaced Mr. William J. Longridge, as teacher of English; Mr. Thomas Murphy was secured as Coach and Commercial Teacher, replacing Miss Thelma Edmunds who resigned. Mrs. Kathleen M. Crafts was elected to teach Latin and French.

We wish to bring to your attention the need for additional landscaping and grading of the grounds at the Elementary School, and hope that the townspeople will cooperate with us in our plans.

We are again faced with the problem of increased enrollments in our schools, and feel that in the near future additional space will be required for more classrooms.

Our sincere thanks to Superintendent Laurence G. Nourse, Principal Roland L. Wolcott and the entire teaching staff for their cooperation during the past year.

Careful study and consideration should be given to our financial statement and reports by the Superintendent and Principal.

Respectfully submitted,

CLINTON E. BARTON, Chairman  
HELEN A. SMITH, Secretary  
EDWARD H. HEMMINGSEN

**MONEY AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOLS IN 1952**

Appropriation	\$68,726.00
Refund	7.00
Interest on Town School Fund	14.54
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	\$68,747.54

**Expenses****General Expenses**

School Committee	\$ 120.00
Superintendent's Salary	2,460.00
School Union Travel	240.00
Clerk's Salary	562.25
Miscellaneous Expenses	205.48

**Expenses of Instruction**

Salaries	43,847.48
Books and Supplies	3,278.94

**Operation of School Plant**

Janitors	5,300.00
Fuel	3,611.02
Miscellaneous	2,509.21
Maintenance	545.19
Health	946.12
Transportation	4,270.00
New Equipment	683.95
Driver Education	130.58
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Total	\$68,710.22
Balance	\$ 37.32

**THE TOWN RECEIVED FROM THE STATE ON ACCOUNT  
OF SCHOOLS**

	1950	1951	1952
Chapter 643 State Aid	\$13,546.49	\$14,001.49	\$14,811.80
For Superintendent	1,417.84	1,458.60	1,493.33
For School Bus Transportation	1,462.36	2,305.86	2,136.89
From Tuition			
Youth Service Board	574.03		787.36
State	225.00	184.14	17.10
Private	100.00	75.00	100.00
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	\$17,325.72	\$18,025.09	\$19,346.48
Total Expenditures	\$53,959.55	\$62,769.06	\$68,710.22
Receipts from outside sources	<hr/> 17,325.72	<hr/> 18,025.09	<hr/> 19,346.48
Expenditure by the Town of			
Plainville	\$36,633.83	\$44,743.97	\$49,363.74

**1953 ESTIMATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH**

**CHAPTER 643, 1948**

Chapter 643 State Aid	\$17,686.81
For Superintendent	1,493.33
For Transportation	2,136.89
For Trade School Tuition	350.00
For Youth Service Board	600.00
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	\$22,267.03

**Additional Receipts—1952**

1. Rental	\$155.00
2. Cash for damages	8.62
3. Sale of Old Equipment	125.80
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	\$289.42

# PLAINVILLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET 1953

	Budget 1953	Expended 1952	Expended 1951	Expended 1950
School Committee	\$187.00	\$120.00	\$120.00	120.00
Superintendent				
Salary	2,560.00	2,460.00	2,360.00	2,079.96
School Union	240.00	240.00	240.00	240.00
Clerk	504.00	562.25	447.86	624.57
Miscellaneous	180.00	205.48	233.81	—
Teachers' Salaries	50,300.00	43,847.48	39,218.94	34,708.35
Books & Supplies	3,650.00	3,278.94	3,216.23	3,003.86
Operation of School Plant				
Janitors	5,404.00	5,300.00	3,699.97	2,491.20
Fuel	3,673.00	3,611.02	4,149.29	2,894.62
Miscellaneous	2,250.00	2,509.21	1,477.60	1,044.35
Maintenance	850.00	545.19	955.75	871.33
Health	1,145.00	946.12	644.33	618.59
Transportation	4,650.00	4,270.00	4,251.75	3,710.43
Tuition	—	—	317.73	426.56
New Equipment	875.00	683.95	538.77	393.50
Town Hall	—	—	739.76	575.74
Driver Education	175.00	130.58	157.27	156.69
Total Reimbursements (Est.)	\$76,643.00	\$68,710.22	\$62,769.06	\$53,959.55
	22,267.03	19,346.48	18,025.09	17,325.72
Net Expenditures (Est.)	\$54,375.97	\$49,363.74	\$44,743.97	\$36,633.83

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

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**To the Plainville School Committee:**

I have the honor of submitting to you my twenty-ninth annual report and the forty-sixth in the series of reports. I shall report on a few major activities of the Plainville Schools during the past year, and its current needs.

**Need for Enlarged School Facilities**

When the new Elementary School was planned, it was felt that the new school would take care of the elementary grades for a long time. In order to have a complete solution, further developments would be necessary to meet the High School problem—Grades 7-12. A Special Committee to study this problem was appointed by the Town. It was the understanding with the Building Committee that before the new school should become over-crowded that some plan for meeting the secondary school problem in Plainville would be made and this would take the seventh and eighth grade pupils out of the present building. Whether such a solution is building a Regional School or a local school in the form of an addition to the present High School, or addition to the Elementary School (such addition was allowed for in the original plans), serious consideration and early action must be taken by the Town of Plainville.

There has been, according to the Town Clerk, Arthur W. Washburn, an average of fifty births each year for the past three years. This would indicate a need for two first grades entering each year and progressively each grade will shortly need two rooms if there are no changes in the present conditions. The only other possibility is having certain rooms with combined classes and also over-sized classrooms. This situation has existed in the past in Plainville and is most undesirable. No teacher can produce satisfactory results under such conditions. I wish to emphasize that this is an immediate problem. There will be, under current plans in September 1953, three rooms with combined classes and four classrooms will have thirty-five pupils or over. The standard, recommended, approved size of class for elementary school is 27 pupils per room. The present teacher-pupil ratio is 29.3 pupils



per teacher in the elementary school. With one additional teacher in September, 1953, this ratio will be 29. In September, 1953, this ratio, unless further increase is made in the Staff, will be 30.6 pupils per teacher. Substantial increase in the school enrollment is indicated in the following tabulation of probable school enrollments based on the present population and the current birth rate:

#### Plainville School Enrollment Data

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Grade 1	51	48	48	52	56	60
Grade 2	40	50	46	46	50	54
Grade 3	34	40	50	46	46	50
Grade 4	42	34	40	50	46	46
Grade 5	40	42	34	40	50	46
Grade 6	36	40	42	34	40	50
Grade 7	28	36	40	42	34	40
Grade 8	22	28	36	40	42	34
	<hr/> 293	<hr/> 318	<hr/> 336	<hr/> 350	<hr/> 364	<hr/> 380
High School 9	24	20	24	30	35	37
High School 10	30	24	30	24	30	33
High School 11	24	28	22	18	22	30
High School 12	15	21	26	20	18	20
	<hr/> 93	<hr/> 93	<hr/> 92	<hr/> 92	<hr/> 105	<hr/> 120
Totals	386	411	428	442	469	500

September, 1955 must see a permanent solution of this problem.

#### Professional Activities of the School Staff

At the same time that much attention and effort have been given, through the pressing necessity for it, to the problem of school accommodations, real educational activities have been going on in the Plainville schools. Many efforts are being made by all members of the school staff to increase their service in behalf of the educational life of the school pupils. School facilities and equipment are essential to achieve the best results, but the training, ability and devotion of the teacher in the classroom is the greatest element in the success of our educational endeavors.

### **Art Workshop**

On March 5, 6, and 7, 1952, an Art Workshop was held for all Plainville and Norton teachers in the Norton Elementary School. This program was carried on from 3:00 to 6:00 in the afternoon and 7:00 to 9:00 in the evening for all three days. This workshop was designed not only to increase the effectiveness of the instruction in the field of Art, but also to make Art work available as a medium of learning in the conventional instruction in all fields and all levels of school work. The program was under the direction of Miss Wilma F. Geer, a graduate of Columbia University. A very effective program was carried on. Thirty-five Principals, Teachers and substitute Teachers in Norton received certificates for completion of the program. Nine Teachers from Plainville and seven from Foxboro also won certificates in this Workshop.

### **Norton-Plainville School Opening Conference**

This conference was held for three days, September 3, 4, 5. On the first afternoon, a joint meeting of all staff members was held. At this, the Superintendent outlined some of the general plans and objectives for the school year. Mrs. Lucille Zwicker, Secretary of the Norton School Committee, and Mrs. Helen Smith, Secretary of the Plainville School Committee, each brought a greeting and message from the School Committees to the conference. Thursday was given in both towns to meetings with the Principals in each building, giving opportunity for the teacher to prepare lesson plans and equip her classroom for the opening day of school. On the third day, a full program for all teachers was held. A committee prepared "A Teaching Aids Handbook". An extensive presentation of the educational opportunities with teaching aids was given the conference. This was followed by an exhibit and demonstration in the Visual Aids room. A careful program for conference of all teachers with the special Supervisors, Miss Spier in Art; Mr. Gillespie in Music; and Mr. Gleason in Physical Education; was scheduled. The first two are Supervisors for both Norton and Plainville. The afternoon program consisted of a most stimulating and valuable lecture on "Teaching the Language Arts" by Dr. Alice Crossley, Professor of Education at Boston University. This pre-school conference was such a success that it is hoped that it will be possible to continue the plan which was initiated this year.

**In The Field of Adult Education**

A start was made in the Fall term. Both the ability and professional interest of the High School teachers in carrying on this enterprise under the able leadership of the Principal, Mr. Roland Wolcott, deserves the appreciation of all. It is hoped that this program may continue and its scope of work be enlarged.

**Professional Course by Professor Worcester Warren of B.U.**

For the first time, a University Extension Course has been offered in these schools. Professor Worcester Warren of Boston University is conducting a Course on "Home and School Relations". This course consists of practical means for promoting the partnership of home and school in the functioning of a coordinated program for guiding child growth. Approximately thirty teachers from Norton and Plainville and other towns are participating in this professional training.

Your Superintendent has been honored by being appointed to several committees of professional activities on the state level. As a member of the State Teachers College Curriculum Study Committee, he was appointed to study the curriculum of the State Teachers College at Bridgewater. It is recognized generally that there is a great need for increasing the effectiveness of our State Teachers Colleges. This committee is continuing its endeavors. Your Superintendent has been a member or Chairman of the Steering Committee for the Preparation of the Curriculum Guide in the Primary Grades and in the Intermediate Grades. This investigation is being extended to the much-needed field of secondary education under the direction of our State Commissioner of Education, Dr. John J. Desmond, Jr. The first meeting was held on September 22, 1952 and your Superintendent has been asked to work also in this new study. Several different approaches to improving or enlarging the subject offerings of the High School are currently being studied. This is a committee of educators covering a wide field of interests working with several citizens of outstanding ability and interest in the field of Education.

**Use of the Auditorium-Gymnasium**

In all of the preliminary plans for the new school in Plainville, strong emphasis had been placed on the impor-

tance of an auditorium-gymnasium for the use of both the schools and the citizens of the town. The first full year of use has demonstrated the value of that part of the new school. Both the High School and the Elementary School make use of this room for Physical Education and many special occasions; such as, school exhibits and other special functions. As plans develop, that part of the new school will be used more and more extensively. The record of applications for the use of the auditorium-gymnasium for after-school use follows:

Plainville Parent-Teacher Association  
Plainville Teachers' Club  
Plainville High School Classes and Clubs  
Plainville High School Alumni Association  
Plainville Firemen  
Plainville Grange  
John E. McNeil Post American Legion  
Plainville Methodist Church (Hallowe'en Party)  
Tawasi Club  
Plainville Lions Club  
Eastern Tire Sales  
Town of Plainville(for Town Meeting 1953)

### **The Teaching Staff**

The enrollment data given earlier in this report shows in comparison with previous tabulations a substantial increase in the number of pupils attending school. Two additional teachers were placed on the Staff during the past year and one additional teacher is anticipated for September 1953. The present teaching Staff in professional preparation, teaching ability and devotion to their tasks is at a high mark. Every effort possible should be made to continue this Staff. An average salary increase, going into effect in September 1953 in accordance with the current budget estimate, is \$205. For the school year 1951-52 the following data on teachers' salaries is very significant. The average salary of all teachers throughout the Nation is reported as \$3,530. The same figure for Massachusetts is \$3,720. The Plainville figure is \$2,810. The current figure is \$2,889.

### **The Importance of the Teacher**

"All the high hopes which I do avowedly entertain of a more glorious future for the human race are built upon the

elevation of the teacher's profession and the enlargement of the teacher's usefulness. Whatever ground of confidence there may be for the perpetuation of our civil and religious liberties; whatever prospect of the elevation of our posterity; whatever faith in a more glorious future for the world—these aspirations and this faith depend upon teachers, more than upon any, more than upon all other human instrumentalities united." Horace Mann, 1858. (Father of the Public School System)

The following reports which I have received from those in charge of special divisions of the school program deserve careful study. The recommendations of the High School Principal receive my approval.

### **PLAINVILLE HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

**Mr. Roland L. Wolcott, Principal**

Considerable progress has been made during the year 1952 in the task of providing pupils with improved educational opportunities. The previous year provided the new elementary building and the renovated quarters of the high school. During the past year we have strived to make constant improvements in our curriculum and in our teaching methods. I would like to point out some of the outstanding changes which I know have been the results of our efforts toward this goal.

A series of health conferences were held by the faculty during the winter and spring to determine the general subject content desired at the different grade levels throughout all twelve grades. As a result of these conferences, new reference books have been provided each teacher, a series of 40 film strips and an excellent series of charts covering health and physiology were purchased through Christmas Seal Sale Funds.

The three-day Art Workshop held in Norton and attended by all teachers in the elementary school is another example of faculty effort toward better teaching.

The pre-school conference held prior to the opening of schools this fall I consider highly successful. It provided an opportunity to organize completely for the opening of school and thus both the high and elementary schools' first day was



a full day. With a combined faculty consisting of almost 50% new members, and with the addition of another first grade and a new room consisting of grade 2-3 pupils, this opportunity of having a pre-school workshop made it possible for the new teachers to become acquainted and oriented to the tasks desired without the normal rush and confusion so typical of first days when faculty meetings and pupils descend upon the teacher the same day.

Our Adult Education Program which was introduced in early December consists of classes in typewriting, decorative painting, driver training, and public speaking with 42 adults currently enrolled. It was necessary to establish this program on a self sustaining basis for this first year as no funds were available from the school committee.

The school cafeteria continues to provide a full meal, including milk, for the sum of \$1.00 a week to 225-250 pupils daily. This service is provided without financial assistance from the town and to date we are operating with a comfortable financial balance which I believe we can maintain during the next year. The success of this program is in no small way due to the fine interest and cooperation from the cafeteria staff.

### **Plainville High School**

During the year, Plainville High School in competition with larger schools succeeded in having one of its members place third in the State High School Science Fair at Boston in April. Leslie Negus of the Class of 1953 received this award for his exhibit on the chemical analysis of water. This fall, Eugene Norton of the Class of 1955, received first prize for his original radio broadcast in the "I Speak For Democracy" contest held over WARA. Karolyn Youngdahl, formerly a student at the high school but transferred this fall to the Peabody School, received the third award. These pupils were in competition with students from Attleboro and North Attleboro High Schools.

Lip service is being given to an erroneous statement that our high school is not "accredited". I feel that the public should know the facts so that no discredit is reflected upon the schools, pupils or tax payers. Plainville High School is recognized as a Class A school by the State Department of

Education and this represents their highest possible classification. Graduates who desire to further their education in schools and colleges of advanced standing will be certified by our high school only if all grades received during the four years are "B" or above. Today nearly all colleges administer entrance examinations or require the results of College Board examinations. The majority of colleges evaluate the applicant's high school record including the principal's recommendations, together with test results and the personal interview before accepting or rejecting an applicant. Due to this procedure, schools are no longer rated in the strict sense that they were twenty to thirty years past. Plainville students who have been certified by the high school and who can meet the entrance requirements demanded are, and will continue to be, accepted by all schools and colleges in New England and elsewhere. Today there are individual schools and colleges which often accept a student who has not received certifiable grades in high school yet who in their opinion warrants an opportunity to demonstrate his ability to make good at the advanced level.

We have continued to offer such recent additions to our curriculum as Driver Training, Personal Use Typing, and the variety of Club Activities. In last year's report, an extensive account was given of the several Clubs which are in operation in the High School. This program has continued successfully during the past year. More students are enrolled in the Personal Use Typing program. In the Sewing Club, the addition of a new electric sewing machine will give opportunity for an expanded program. Mrs. Helen Smith, in giving her services, has made this opportunity possible. All the rest of the Clubs are carried on by the regular staff of the High School. Perhaps within the community there are others capable of offering skilled training in other lines. This would be most welcome.

Our Open House program this fall consisted of a panel discussion by the faculty with the purpose of presenting the high school curriculum to the parents in an informal manner.

Our Science Fair held in early April was larger and better in every way to the highly successful start made the year before. Although exhibits were not compulsory, about 90% of the students who were enrolled in the science classes



entered this competition. The direction, guidance and interest demonstrated by Mr. David Parfitt, Science Instructor, was instrumental in producing this outstanding event. Students from grades 7 and 8, under the direction of Miss Rita Davis, had a most successful collection of exhibits. The experience and training received by these younger exhibitors ensures the future of Plainville's Science Fairs which in turn continues the educational values derived from this activity.

I am pleased to be able to report that I consider our present high school faculty highly capable; and individually and collectively it is the strongest faculty Plainville High School has had since I came here as Principal in 1948.

### Elementary School

Numerous faculty meetings have been held concerning our school marking methods and system. As a result of these meetings, the members of the faculty have renewed their efforts to ensure that each child's report card indicates a clear and reliable picture of the child's demonstrated success in his school work and in his associations with others. Particular emphasis has been placed upon the reporting of each child's reading achievement through added comments on the card and in letters to individual parents. We have been most pleased with the interest and cooperation received from parents.

The addition of two teachers in the primary grades has made it possible to limit the class size to a most desirable number in the first three grades. Grades four and five, with 42 and 40 pupils respectively, are far too large for effective teaching. A study of these conditions showed that a large number of these pupils required considerable concentrated help in their reading. With such a large group, it was not possible for the individual teacher to provide the remedial work needed. A remedial program was attempted in December on a trial basis of having a substitute teacher available for a two-week period to handle the regular class work in these two grades. This made it possible for Miss Wood and Mrs. Grant to give special help in reading to those requiring it. A half day was devoted to this plan in each grade for the two weeks. The substitute teacher was able to give a more con-

centrated program to those pupils who did not require the remedial assistance. I am pleased to know that on the basis of the success reported we will be able to continue this program for a few additional weeks.

Playground equipment; consisting of swings, teter boards, slide, merry-go-round and softball backstop; was installed soon after school opened in the fall and has proved to be a tremendous help in providing wholesome activity for the children during the recess periods. The equipment was provided from money donated by the Alumni, Teachers' Club, Mr. Harry Dunnebier, and profits from the school magazine sales. The merry-go-round is loaned by the Park Committee during the school year, and in exchange for this service the Park Committee will have the use of the slide during the summer months. I believe that our playground accidents have been minor and infrequent because of the presence of the equipment and the adequate supervision of the faculty members.

Through the cooperation of the American Legion, a revised and highly desirable program has been established for the annual Legion School Award presented to one boy and one girl in Grade eight each June. As a result of this new procedure, a member of the Legion will address the members of the grade each month during the school year beginning in October and will discuss on each visit one of the honor qualities used as a basis for this honor award. In this way, the true objectives and meaning of this award will be constantly before the students during the year.

The pre-school registration of grade one pupils was held in May and again proved to be the most satisfactory arrangement for pupils, parents, and the school. We plan to continue this practice in the future.

Through such faculty efforts as our Open House Program in the fall and the Spring Music Festival, and through the efforts of the P.T.A., I find that parents are taking a greater interest in the school activities and in the educational preparation of their children. We are always striving toward the 100% participation of parents in school activities and we are making rapid gains in this direction each year.

I take this opportunity to make the following recommendations which I believe are most desirable if we are to continue the recent trend toward better schools for Plainville youth.

1. Priority should be given the matter of surfacing the present play area at the elementary school. The present surface conditions are highly dangerous and most unsatisfactory. We can only expect some very serious accidents under the present surface conditions.

2. We need two additional teachers to provide the most desirable educational opportunity throughout all eight grades. It appears to be necessary to divide two or three additional grades in order to reduce the size of the classes if one additional teacher is secured.

3. The appropriation of \$300 for physical education and athletics which has been voted the past two years should be continued in order that we may continue the present athletic program for both boys and girls.

4. The pre-school workshop which was tried this year should be continued if possible.

5. In the high school, there is a definite need for continued study of the curriculum in order that we may not be guilty of failing to meet needs of all students to the degree that our staff and budget will permit. Our present staff is operating on a heavy class schedule and this will not lessen as each year the number of students is increasing. I feel that we must seriously question the value of offering stenography in the high school. During the past four years, our graduates have not accepted employment requiring stenography and employers desiring this skill are seldom willing to accept a high school graduate's level of proficiency. Today if a graduate desires to become a stenographer it is almost imperative that she attend a secretarial school. The typical office employment in this area open to graduates requires competency in typing, filing, bookkeeping, and general office routine. I believe that we might better prepare these young people if we considered the possibility of dropping the stenography and substituting an additional year of office procedure combined with actual supervised vocational experience in

offices in the surrounding area. In this way, the commercial teacher would have time in the day's program which would permit him to make arrangements for placing these people in nearby offices and setting up a well-supervised training program to the benefit of both students and potential employers.

6. I sincererly hope that the recent start in classes in Adult Education can be continued and expanded as the needs warrant.

7. I cannot complete this report without mentioning the definite need for additional classroom space in the elementary school. Starting in the fall of 1953 all classrooms will be filled in this new building and an additional room will be a must the following September. This does not provide for the space necessary if we are to eliminate the overcrowded classes nor does it provide space for the introduction of a kindergarten in the public school system.

The Faculty and I appreciate, Mr. Nourse, your inspiration and guidance which you have given to any and all our tasks and problems throughout the past year.

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## ART

**Louise B. Spier, Supervisor**

"We believe that creative power and a sense of design are native to all people in varying degrees and grow with use."  
—Freeman and Ray.

The art program in the Plainville Schools has been carried on as usual, giving the children the opportunity to use the various art media—crayons, easel paint, finger paint, plaster-cine, ink, pencil, paper, watercolor and tempera—at the suitable age level. The art activities consisted of picture making, design, color, lettering, construction work, art appreciation and integration with other school subjects. The success of the art program has depended largely on the classroom teacher who should provide encouragement and guidance, and most important of all, opportunity for creative work.

An exhibit of the International Art Exchange consisting of children's painting from various sections of the United States and from Greece, France, Venezuela and Japan came to us through the North Attleboro Red Cross Chapter early in January and was viewed by the pupils of Grade 3 through 8 and the High School Art Club. In March, through the Eastern Arts Exhibition Service, all of the children in the grades and the Art Club saw a splendid exhibit of Art Work of Kanawha County Schools, West Virginia. This fall, in October and November, we have had two sets of slides from the Eastern Arts, one on Paper Sculpture and the other on Early American Crafts.

Our 7th and 8th grades and the High School Art Club painted illustrations of American Life from their own experiences to submit to the International Art Exchange Program. The pictures which were selected were matted, labelled and sent in March to the area headquarters of the Red Cross at Washington, D. C. to be distributed to foreign countries. We have participated in this worthwhile program for five years.

The results of the annual animal poster contest, sponsored by the American Human Education Society for pupils in the 4th grade through the High School were as follows:

1st Prize, Silver Pin:

Ann Kilham, Grade 9

Thomas McKechnie, Grade 7

Frederick Clentimack, Grade 5

Alden Smith, Grade 4

2nd Prize, Bronze Pin:

Lynn Kahler, Grade 9

Gail Austin, Grade 8

Rose Reynolds, Grade 6

Juanita Ruest, Grade 5

Gerald Bodmer, Grade 4



**Honorable Mention:**

(a year's subscription to "Our Dumb Animals")

Audrey Peck, Grade 8

Douglas Cole, Grade 7

Jean Skinner, Grade 6

Sylvia Power, Grade 5

Marcia Grant, Grade 4

A full schedule as to time is being carried out this year with only twenty-five minute periods for each 7th and 8th grades so that the lesson continues after my departure. Another year, if there is to be an increase in the number of grades we now have, more time will undoubtedly be needed for the art supervisor.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Mr. Nourse, Mr. Wolcott and the teachers for their continued loyal support, cooperation and friendliness.

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**MUSIC**

**Nahum P. Gillespie, Supervisor**

**Junior-Senior High School**

In looking back over the school year 1951 and 1952 here in Plainville, I think one of the outstanding events of the year was the presenting for the first time in my period here a Spring Festival. After the regular music classes of the fall and winter months with their note reading, theory, etc., the students seem to get real enjoyment out of a Music Festival. Such an event teaches them the art of working together, develops poise on the stage and their ability to memorize. A capacity and enthusiastic audience was Mrs. Washburn's and my reward for many hours of drill.

Our Girl's Glee Club has a membership at present of twenty-three. Recently they sang at the Christmas Assembly.

They rendered a group of individual carols. They are soon to have some Glee Club membership pins and later we **plan to** take in some worthwhile musical event in Boston.

This fall, new books were purchased for Grade 6; namely, *The American Singer*. This new book brings us up to this modern age with catchy rhythms and tunes which they all enjoy. This Grade 6 was featured in the Christmas assembly presenting a twenty-minute play entitled "Christmas Here and There."

A back log to good musicianship is the ability to play to some extent on the piano or some musical instrument. I would like to see a course in the study of instruments put into the Plainville Schools, with the anticipation of having a small orchestra.

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## MUSIC

### Harriet F. Washburn, Supervisor Primary School

This past year has seen continued steady progress on the part of the children in music. In the first three grades, all of the songs have been learned by rote, and sung with enjoyment. Individuals and groups took their turns at singing for others. Besides singing there was a great deal of rhythm work such as singing games and folk dancing in which all participated, thus learning to work together happily and successfully. The Rhythm Orchestra was also part of this same rhythm work. Here they learned to listen and to concentrate as well as to perform together. We found that ears are a most important part of us, for if we don't listen we don't learn.

We listened to short selections of good music so that the melody, the name of the piece and the composer were remembered. We have a good selection of records. Mr. Wolcott has been helpful in obtaining several of them for us.

At the beginning of the new year, the third graders commenced their simple theory work, learning of the staff, the G clef and a variety of notes, enough to give them an ability



to read music themselves. The third graders continued the Rhythm Orchestra work by performing more difficult numbers as their ability increased. The Fourth and Fifth grades did a considerable amount of theory work and learned the great majority of their songs by note or reading. They continued the singing games and folk dances and apparently enjoyed this activity to its utmost.

Last Spring, a combined music program was presented by the entire school from grade one through High School. It certainly showed progress in learning, ability, and understanding. Those participating had as much enjoyment as those watching.

A definite effort was made to improve the children's taste in music, for the primary aim of music education is to develop in our children the ability to differentiate between what is good in music and what is not.

May I express my appreciation to the wonderful cooperation of the teachers and children and my gratitude to you for your continued interest and support.

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### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

**Dr. John T. Cotter**

The examination of Students of the Plainville Schools is being conducted and is nearly finished. Two primary grades remain to be examined.

The health of the children is generally good. The usual dental defects are seen. Two children had athletes foot and were restricted from athletics until it was healed. A few tonsillectomies were recommended.

The new stagger system of examining alternate grades each year was started, and a more comprehensive examination is being given.

The Diphtheria Clinic was well-attended this year.

**SCHOOL NURSE****Janet W. Claudy, R.N.**

During the Spring months a series of three immunization clinics were held in the new Health Unit. Protective inoculations of a triple antigen were given to eligible pre-school and school children to protect against tetanus, whooping cough, and diphtheria.

A spring-time registration for prospective first graders was held during May. At this time, candidates for first grade were enrolled and introduced to school officials who explained the necessary school regulations. Refreshments were served in the cafeteria by members of the P.T.A.

According to a recent Health Law, children in Grades 1, 4, 7, 9 and 11 will be examined by the school physician. At present, physical examinations have been completed in grades 7, 9, and 11. At the conclusion of examinations, parents will be notified of any existing physical defects.

All school children have been weighed and measured. Hearing and vision tests will be conducted on pupils in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11.

Senior students and all school employees received chest X-rays during October.

I should like to thank Dr. Cotter, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Wolcott and all members of the teaching staff for their excellent cooperation in our Health program.

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**Closing**

I wish to record the sincere interest, extensive time, and devotion which the members of the School Committee have given to the study of the problems of the operation of the Plainville Schools. With the increased growth, there are cur-

rently many important decisions which can be made only by the School Committee. The very friendly and cooperative spirit which has been shown by the School Committee is sincerely appreciated. The hard work and professional zeal and outstanding accomplishments which have been made by the members of the school staff during the past year are gratefully acknowledged and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE G. NOURSE,

Superintendent

## PLAINVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Exercises, June 18, 1952

Theme—"Our Educational Heritage"

Processional

Invocation

Rev. John M. Bowmar

Salutatory "Opportunities For Leadership"

Beverly Claire O'Brien

Glee Club "Vreneli"

Swiss Folk Song

Valedictory "Education and The Small School"

Joan Frances McQuade

Glee Club "Allah's Holiday" from "Katinka"  
"The Halls Of Ivy"

Friml  
Russell-Knight

Address "More Power To You"

Mr. William Perreault

Class Gift Presentation

Joan Ann Jillson

Presentation of Awards

Principal Roland L. Wolcott

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Clinton Barton, Chairman  
Plainville School Committee

Benediction

Rev. John M. Bowmar

Recessional

## ANNUAL REPORT

## CLASS ROLL

Gail Lorraine Avery	Bruce Alvin Hayes
George Fraser Cole	Joan Ann Jillson
Carolyn May Easterbrooks	Joan Frances McQuade
Richard Fuller Grant	Beverly Claire O'Brien
Nancy Marie Randall	

## CLASS OFFICERS

President	Joan Ann Jillson
Vice-President	Beverly Claire O'Brien
Treasurer	Bruce Alvin Hayes
Secretary	Joan Frances McQuade
Valedictorian	Joan Frances McQuade
Salutatorian	Beverly Claire O'Brien

## CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

## CLASS MOTTO

"Today's Followers Tomorrow's Leaders"

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STATISTICS

## Extracts From The School Census, October 1952

	Girls	Boys
Pupils between 5 and 7	52	41
Pupils between 7 and 16	182	175
	<hr/> 234	<hr/> 216

## Perfect Attendance For The School Year 1951-52

Grade 12	Carolyn Easterbrooks
Grade 11	Gary Berkley, Leslie Negus, Ina Peck, Bradford Youngdahl
Grade 10	Fred Benker, Marilyn Randall
Grade 9	David Adams, Phyllis Peterson, Stewart Searle, William Searle, Beverly Snell, Anne Kilham

Grade 8	David Redding, Ronald Felici
Grade 7	None
Grade 6	Judith Berkley, Alden Kettell, Dennis Redding
Grade 5	Leroy Brodeur, Eugene Newman, Marie Redding, Stephanie Stafford
Grade 4	Walter Burlingame, James Ruest, Lee Newman, Arlene Babbitt
Grade 3	Jeanne Brodeur, Steve Kettell
Grade 2	Janice Babbitt, Karen Evans
Grade 1	Ronald Breitenbach

#### Work Certificates

Number of full-time educational certificates issued	34
Number of part-time educational certificates issued	17
Number of part-time employment permits issued	2
Average number of days the Elementary Schools were in session	166
Number of days the High School was in session	183

# ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1952

	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per Cent of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Dismissals
High School	14,409.	79.16	85	81.54	96.64	256	47
Grade 8	4,558.5	27.59	30	29.21	94.31	97	14
Grade 7	3,719.5	22.47	26	24.26	92.66	33	1
Grade 6	4,226.	25.53	28	27.14	94.32	14	2
Grade 5	5,774.	34.89	36	36.96	94.40	9	1
Grade 4	5,968.5	36.06	39	38.68	95.81	11	5
Grade 3	6,289.	38.00	42	40.78	93.43	31	13
Grade 2	5,162.5	31.19	35	34.23	91.12	26	4
Grade 1	5,743.5	34.70	38	38.66	89.00	14	4
Total	55,850.5	329.59	359	351.46	93.52	491	91

# MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1952

## GIRLS

Ages	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Grade 1	9	15	2		1												27
Grade 2		5	14	1													20
Grade 3			4	11	1												16
Grade 4				5	15	1	1										22
Grade 5					5	14	3										22
Grade 6						3	12	2		2	1						20
Grade 7						1	5	4	3								13
Grade 8								1	12								13
Grade 9									7	5	1						13
Grade 10										8	4	1					13
Grade 11											2	7	1				10
Grade 12												1	5	1			7
	9	20	20	17	22	19	21	7	22	15	8	9	6	1			196



# MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1952

## BOYS

Ages	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Grade 1	13	11															24
Grade 2		5	14	1													20
Grade 3			2	13	1	2											18
Grade 4				3	13	2	2										20
Grade 5					1	12	5										18
Grade 6						3	10	3									16
Grade 7						1	6	4	3		1						15
Grade 8								1	5	2	1						9
Grade 9									3	3	3	2					11
Grade 10										11	3	2					16
Grade 11											6	7	1				14
Grade 12													5	2	1		8
	13	16	16	17	15	20	23	8	11	16	14	11	6	2	1		189

# LIST OF TEACHERS—JANUARY 1, 1953

School	Name	Where Educated	Date of Appt.
High School	Roland L. Wolcott, Principal	Middlebury College, A.B. Boston University, Ed.M.	1948
	Grenith M. Rose	Boston University, B.A.	1947
	Kathleen M. Crafts	Middlebury College, A.B.	1952
	Mildred T. Wallace	Pembroke College, A.B.	1952
	David W. Parfitt	Boston University, B.S.	1951
	Thomas R. Murphy	Boston University, B.S.	1952
	Chester Pawlowski	Boston University, B.S., Ed.M.	1952
Elementary 8	D. Rita Davis	Bridgewater State Teachers' College, B.S. in Ed.	1948
Elementary 7	Morton Milesky	University of Miami, B.A.	1952
Elementary 6	Beatrice H. Wood	Framingham State Teachers' College	1930
Elementary 5	Esther F. Grant	Bridgewater State Teachers' College	1946
Elementary 4	Mary T. Donovan	Emmanuel College, A.B.	1952
Elementary 3	Jeanne A. Santos	R. I. College of Education, Ed.B.	1952
Elementary 2-3	Clarice Van Ummerson	Bridgewater State Teachers' College	1946
Elementary 2	Lois J. Ramsay	Leslie College	1950
Elementary 1	Mary H. Zajac	R. I. College of Education, Ed.B.	1952
Elementary 1	Louise B. Spier	Massachusetts School of Art, B.S.	1945
Drawing	Nahum P. Gillespie	New England Conservatory of Music	1948
Music	Harriet F. Washburn	Boston Teachers' College	1948

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE  
PLAINVILLE SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE.**

To the Citizens of Plainville:

On October 1, 1952, the Plainville School Planning Committee, at a meeting held in the Elementary School Building, Mr. Alpin Chisholm, Chairman of the Committee, turned the Elementary School Building over to the Town of Plainville. Mr. Arthur W. Washburn, Chairman of the Plainville Board of Selectmen accepted the building in behalf of the Town. He then turned the building over to Mr. Clinton E. Barton, Chairman of the Plainville School Committee. This brief ceremony culminated the work started in March, 1946 by the Plainville School Planning Committee.

On October 16, 1952 the bills and Request for Certification were presented to the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission for processing and payment. The total cost of the building was \$400,506.87 spent by the Town and the total amount of the request for certification to the State Building Assistance Commission was \$399,504.48.

At this time the Committee wishes to thank all the townspeople who contributed of their time in the erection of the apparatus and the landscaping. Especially do we thank Mr. Alec Fredrickson for the use of his equipment, and Mr. Everett Skinner and Mr. Fredrickson for their time given to this project.

Special thanks are extended to the following organizations and individuals for their gifts:

John Edward McNeil Post #217, American Legion and Auxiliary	United States and Massachusetts Flags
Plainville High School Alumni Association	Playground Equipment
Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Dunne- bier	Playground Equipment
Plainville Teacher's Club	Playground Equipment

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Plainville Parent Teacher As-  
sociationFurnishings for Faculty  
Room

The following is a detailed statement of expenditures:

Appropriation	\$400,000.00	
Appropriation, Committee Expenses	516.55	
	<hr/>	\$400,516.55

## Expenditures:

General Contract	\$332,368.09	
Architect and Engineer	26,846.52	
Equipment	22,124.29	
Grading and Landscaping	17,278.02	
Miscellaneous: Insurance	1,889.95	
Advertising		
Committee Expenses		
	<hr/>	400,506.87
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		\$9.68

Respectfully submitted,

ALPIN CHISHOLM, Chairman  
LEROY B. WILSON  
HARVEY C. MORSE  
CLINTON E. BARTONPlainville School Planning  
Committee

By: BESSIE BARTON, Clerk

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## REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report as Collector of Taxes for the year ending December 31, 1952.

## 1948 Account

	Uncollected	Tax Title Error	Collected	Abated	Uncollected
Real Estate		\$3.80			\$3.80

## 1949 Account

Personal	\$81.70		\$40.23	\$4.30	\$37.17
Real Estate		4.30			4.30
Excise	.19		.19		None

## 1950 Account

Personal	467.32		344.12		123.20
Real Estate	1,015.42	4.40	962.62		57.20

## 1951 Account

Personal	1,573.16		733.74		839.42
Real Estate	8,078.24	5.20	6,899.65		1,178.59
Excise	1,755.07		1,471.34	223.12	60.61

## 1952 Account

	Warrant	Collected	Abated	Tax Title	Uncollected
Poll	\$1,192.00	\$1,160.00	\$24.00		\$8.00
Personal	17,728.28	15,425.28	111.26		2,191.74
Real Estate	104,451.05	92,974.59	2,546.12	66.11	8,864.23
Excise	18,289.04	14,172.73	483.96		3,632.35

	1950	1951	1952
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer	\$70.79	\$228.18	\$20.54
Charges Collected and Paid Treasurer	4.20	48.25	50.05

## Collector's Expense Account

Appropriation	\$250.00
Expended	250.00
Balance	None

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. WICKMAN,

Collector of Taxes

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

As directed by you, I submit herewith my report as Treasurer for the Town of Plainville, for the accounting period from January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952. This report reflects all financial transactions during the period under review and is supported by the following schedules.

Schedule of Cash Received

Schedule of Cash Payments

Schedule of Estimated Receipts

Schedule of Appropriations, Balances carried forward, Transfers, amounts expended and unexpended balances.

Schedule of Maturing Debt and interest payments due by years

Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1952 including Trust Accounts and Debt Account.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD OSTERHOLM

Treasurer, Town of Plainville

**RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

Cash balance January 1, 1952	\$48,930.27
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**CASH RECEIVED**

## Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	\$8,935.12
Old Age Assistance-Adm.	529.31
Disability Assistance	246.71
Disability Assistance-Adm.	17.44
Aid to Dependent Children	97.70
Aid to Dependent Children-Adm.	13.37
Special School Lunch	10,513.04
Special School Athletic Fund	759.15
Dog Tax Collections	735.40
Tax Levy 1949 account	40.23
Tax Levy 1950 account	1,306.74
Tax Levy 1951 account	7,633.39
Tax Levy 1952 account	109,559.87
Chapter 90-Highways	1,398.80
Chapter 81-Highways	9,970.14
Road Machinery Reserve-Highway	1,116.00
Anticipation of Revenue Notes	40,000.00
Refund-Welfare	23.67
Refunds-Old Age Assistance	269.16
Refunds-Highway	91.88
Refunds-School	7.00
Refunds- Forest Fires	2.61
Interest-School Fund	14.54
Estimated Receipts-Schedule	97,097.31

Total Receipts	290,378.58
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\$339,308.85

**DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952**

## Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	\$9,698.01
Old Age Assistance-Adm.	668.78
Disability Assistance	90.30



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Aid Dependent Children	34.20
Special School Lunch	9,761.35
Special School Athletic Fund	618.55
County Dog Tax	739.00
Motor Vehicle Tax Abatements	42.55
Tax Abatements 1952 Levy	230.00
Anticipation Note	40,000.00
County Hospital Tax 1952 account	1,381.45
County Tax	3,282.92
Municipal Audit and Park Tax	903.65
Appropriation Payments-Schedule	211,670.08
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Total Disbursements	\$279,120.84
Cash Balance on December 31, 1952	60,188.01
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	\$339,308.85

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS—DECEMBER 31, 1952

## FROM COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Income Tax-General	\$18,890.57
Income Tax-Corporations	12,540.58
Old Age Assistance	8,977.37
Youth Service	1,280.85
High School-Transportation	2,153.99
School Superintendent	1,493.33
Temporary Aid	1,019.34
Welfare	1,017.82
Reimbursement of Taxes	24.13
School-Other	810.31
Tuition	25.00
Meal Tax	885.42
Agricultural Department	50.00
Refund-State Case	474.00
Disability Assistance	27.97
Aid Dependent Children	26.18
School Building-Reimbursement	
1951 account	9,971.40
School Building-Reimbursement	
1952 account	9,971.40
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Total from Commonwealth	\$69,639.66

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## FROM OTHER SOURCES

Motor Vehicle Excise-Tax 1949 Levy	\$ .19
Motor Vehicle Excise-Tax 1951 Levy	1,471.34
Motor Vehicle Excise-Tax 1952 Levy	14,172.73
Water Rates and Supplies	5,710.62
Interest and Charges	423.41
Rents	155.00
District Court Fines	31.00
Tuition	75.00
Highway Department	28.40
Refund-Insurance	25.00
Damages	33.62
Library Fines	5.30
Police Department	15.00
Town of North Attleboro	214.80
Lease of Land	100.00
Sealer of Weights	68.20
Special License-County	8.00
Miscellaneous Sales-School	100.80
Dog Collections-County	488.69
Town Clerk	4,280.00
Milk Inspector	42.00
Aid to Dependent Children-Refund	8.55
Total from Other Sources	<hr/> 27,457.65
Actual Receipts from Estimates	<hr/> \$97,097.31

# SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS — DECEMBER 31, 1952

## Schedule of Maturities and Interest Payable Yearly

December	\$50,000.00	\$275,000.00	Total	Balance	Interest
31st	Issue	Issue		Dec. 31st	Payable
1952	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	285,000.00	.....
1953	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	265,000.00	5,700.00
1954	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	245,000.00	5,300.00
1955	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	225,000.00	4,900.00
1956	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	205,000.00	4,500.00
1957	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	185,000.00	4,100.00
1958	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	165,000.00	3,700.00
1959	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	145,000.00	3,300.00
1960	5,000.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	125,000.00	2,900.00
1961	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	110,000.00	2,500.00
1962	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	95,000.00	2,200.00
1963	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	80,000.00	1,900.00
1964	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	65,000.00	1,600.00
1965	.....	15,000.00	15,000.00	50,000.00	1,300.00
1966	.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	40,000.00	1,000.00
1967	.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00	800.00
1968	.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00	600.00
1969	.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	400.00
1970	.....	10,000.00	10,000.00	.....	200.00

# APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES

Accounts	Appropriations	Refunds & Transfers	Payments	Balances
Library	600.00	.....	600.00	.....
Selectmen	2,500.00	.....	2,446.16	53.84
Treasurer	800.00	.....	787.34	12.66
Town Clerk	500.00	.....	489.85	10.15
Assessors	1,500.00	.....	1,357.10	142.90
Tax Collector	850.00	.....	850.00	.....
Registrars	650.00	.....	639.05	10.95
Town Auditor	75.00	.....	75.00	.....
Sealer of Weights	75.00	.....	75.00	.....
Insurance	2,450.00	.....	2,450.00	.....
Welfare	2,500.00	786.67	3,271.99	14.68
Aid Dependent Children	400.00	.....	112.75	287.25
Old Age Assistance	11,000.00	269.16	11,269.16	.....
Veteran's Benefits	100.00	430.00	530.00	.....
Highway-Center	4,000.00	515.63	4,515.51	12
Memorial Day	200.00	.....	153.25	46.75
Interest—Debt	6,100.00	250.00	6,350.00	.....
Interest—Loan	200.00	.....	186.00	14.00
Fire Department	4,400.00	.....	4,100.90	299.10
Street Lights	5,400.00	.....	5,193.88	206.12
Water Department	5,500.00	.....	5,500.00	.....
Board of Health	1,700.00	.....	1,669.82	30.18
Police	4,600.00	.....	4,600.00	.....
Tree Warden	300.00	.....	296.30	3.70
Snow	3,000.00	239.81	3,239.81	.....
Park	900.00	.....	866.61	33.39

Schools	68,726.00	21.54	68,710.22	37.32
Town Forest	75.00	.....	73.20	1.80
Building Maintenance	1,100.00	.....	1,077.46	22.54
Maturing Debt	20,000.00	10,000.00	30,000.00	.....
Welfare Agent	800.00	.....	800.00	.....
Official's Bonds	250.00	.....	250.00	.....
Moth	800.00	.....	792.50	7.50
Town Dump	150.00	.....	150.00	.....
Drainage	1,000.00	.....	995.76	4.24
School Building	.....	17,628.37	17,628.37	.....
Retirement System	770.70	.....	770.70	.....
Highway—Chapter 90	700.00	1,400.00	2,094.87	5.13
Highway—Chapter 81	4,300.00	9,075.00	13,360.74	14.26
Tax Titles	.....	280.83	25.00	255.83
Forest Fires	.....	314.25	311.64	2.61
Wire Inspector	250.00	.....	200.00	50.00
Building Committee	.....	386.50	376.82	9.68
Dutch Elm	400.00	.....	398.40	1.60
School Athletics	300.00	17.60	317.60	.....
Water—Berry Street	1,550.00	169.90	1,688.67	31.23
Water—East Bacon Street	3,360.00	176.65	2,021.90	1,514.75
Water—Warren Street	.....	2,355.57	2,352.53	3.04
Disability	2,000.00	.....	565.71	1,434.29
Vocational	1,000.00	.....	761.69	238.31
Sanitation—Park	1,000.00	.....	990.71	9.29
Water—Park	500.00	.....	500.86	.....
Water—Sydney	5,165.00	.....	2,829.25	2,335.75
Regional School	.....	200.00	.....	200.00
Library Committee	.....	100.00	.....	100.00
	<u>\$174,496.70</u>	<u>\$44,618.34</u>	<u>\$211,670.08</u>	<u>\$7,444.96</u>

# BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1952

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash—Manufacturers National Bank	\$37,212.74	FEDERAL GRANTS	
Cash—National Shawmut Bank	22,975.27	Old Age Assistance	319.11
		Aid Dependent Children	255.33
		Disability Assistance	156.41
		Old Age Assistance Adm.	431.94
		Aid Dependent Children Adm.	20.45
		Disability Assistance Adm.	17.44
			\$1,200.63
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE			
Tax Levy 1948 Account	3.80		
Tax Levy 1949 Account	41.47		
Tax Levy 1950 Account	180.40		
Tax Levy 1951 Account	2,018.01		
Tax Levy 1952 Account	11,063.97		
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES		REVENUE RESERVED UNTIL COLLECTED	
Levy of 1951	60.61	Tax Titles	369.31
Levy of 1952	3,632.35	Tax Title Possession	467.41
		Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	3,692.96
		Water Rates & Supplies	1,218.44
		State Aid to Highways	5,040.31
		State Aid Departmental	547.10
			11,335.53
TAX TITLES AND POSSESSIONS			
Tax Titles	369.31	OVERLAY RESERVES	
Tax Title Possession	467.41	Tax Levy 1948	3.80
		Tax Levy 1949	41.47
		Tax Levy 1950	180.40
		Tax Levy 1951	1,298.41
		Tax Levy 1952	2,374.15
DEPARTMENTAL			
Water Rates & Supplies	1,218.44		3,898.23



State Aid to Highways  
State Aid Departmental

5,040.31  
547.10

6,805.85

\$84,831.19

# SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

School Lunch Room 514.33  
School Athletic Fund 149.75

664.08

## APPROPRIATION BALANCES

Foreclosure of Tax Title 255.83  
School Building Committee 9.68  
Water—East Bacon Street 1,514.75  
Water—Sydney & Cooney 2,335.75  
Regional School Committee 200.00  
Library Building Committee 100.00

Overlay Surplus 4,416.01  
Road Machinery Reserve 3,951.23  
Revenue Account 1,116.00  
Sale of Real Estate Fund 86.50  
State & County Tax 2,500.00  
Surplus Revenue 403.28  
55,259.65

\$84,831.19

## TRUST ACCOUNTS

School Fund—Cash  
Library Stabilization Fund—Cash  
Public Park Building Fund—Cash

\$727.30 School Fund  
5,533.09 Library Fund  
71.11 Public Park

\$727.30  
5,533.09  
71.11

\$6,331.50

## NET FUNDED OR FIXED DEBT

Funded or Fixed Debt

\$285,000.00 School Building Loan

\$285,000.00

## REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Scales—	Adjusted	Not Sealed	Sealing Fee	Total
Scales over 10,000 lbs.	1		\$5.00	\$5.00
Scales 100-5,000 lbs.	2	9	1.00	9.00
Scales under 100 lbs.	5	18	.50	9.00
Avoirdupois Weights	4	43	.10	4.30
Liquid Measures				
1 gal. or under		14	.10	1.40
Automatic Liquid Measuring Devices—				
Not over 1 inch		19	1.00	19.00
Inlet over 1 inch	2	6	3.00	18.00
Oil and Grease		10	.25	2.50
Total	13	120	5	\$68.20

Reweighing of commodities put up for sale:

Bread 12, Butter 6. Flour 5, Grain 4, Lard 5, Potatoes 10,  
Sugar 5, Onions 5, Coal 1.

Cash paid to Town Treasurer \$68.20

Appropriation	\$75.00
Salary	\$50.00
Transportation and Supplies	25.00
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	\$75.00

Respectfully submitted,

ADRIAN G. WHEELER,

Sealer

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

During the year of 1952, sixteen (16) new services were installed, and three (3) old services renewed.

Two (2) hydrants were broken, one at South and Maple Streets, and one in front of the Merry-Go-Round. Both were replaced, but no insurance was received, as no one saw the accident.

The Park project was completed, making a new connection into the fire station for a larger pipe.

Amount appropriated	\$500.00
Amount expended:	500.00

Berry Street extension completed and two (2) houses connected; 765 feet of 6 inch main laid and one hydrant. Later heavy rain caused soft shoulders resulting in a break of the main which was repaired.

Amount appropriated	\$1,350.00
Amount expended:	1,318.77

Balance	<hr/> \$31.23
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Warren Street extension laid with a total of 1624 feet of 6 inch main. Two (2) hydrants installed and one (1) old hydrant at West Bacon Street relocated. Heavy rain and soft shoulders caused two breaks. Both were repaired and gravel put in trench.

Amount appropriated	\$4,250.00
Amount expended:	\$4,247.96

Balance	<hr/> \$2.04
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On Sydney, Moran and Cooney Avenue, 67 feet of 6 inch

iron pipe layed across the river. Winter weather stopped this project.

Amount appropriated	\$4,525.00
Amount expended:	2,829.25
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Balance	\$1,695.75

The water tank developed a small break which was repaired. We recommend painting and making such repairs as are necessary.

#### Cash Collected and Paid Treasurer for 1952

Rates	\$5,363.42
Supplies	204.00
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Paid Treasurer	\$5,567.42
Water Rates Due	\$1,208.44

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1953

Water Pumping	\$4,500.00
Salaries	250.00
Maintenance	750.00
Repair of Tank	3,500.00

The amount of water used in 1952—54,860,250 gallons, cost: \$4,388.82. The Contract with the North Attleboro Water Department to supply the Town of Plainville for ten (10) years completed and signed.

H. R. Prescott & Sons, supplies	\$561.26
Sumner & Dunbar, supplies	140.40
Rensselaer Valve Co., hydrant parts	56.25
Louis Morrell, services and repairs	696.50
Louis Morrell, gravel	12.65
North Attleboro Water Dept.	3,403.60
Salaries	200.00
Labor	260.64

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North Attleboro Chronicle Co.,		
cards and advertising		43.70
The Palfrey Company, repair of water tank		125.00
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		\$5,500.00
Appropriation	\$5,500.00	
Amount expended:	5,500.00	

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY B. THOMPSON  
ALTON E. FRENCH  
GORDON S. PROAL

Water Commissioners, Town of Plainville

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## REPORT OF DUTCH ELM CONTROL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my Report on Dutch Elm Control of the year ending December 31, 1952.

Appropriation	\$400.00
Expenditures	398.40
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Balance	\$1.60

Respectfully submitted,

ALEC FREDRICKSON,

Dutch Elm Control

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

We hereby present our annual report of the Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The Board of Trustees remains the same as last year with Theodore A. Wickman, President; Arthur W. Washburn, Sr., and Alice M. Pease, Secretary.

Mrs. Violet Reynolds has been acting as Librarian in a very capable manner. The Library has been open on all required days, with the exception when the day falls on a holiday.

Many of the school children have been using the reference books for special subjects.

The circulation is a little low, but of good quality. Gifts of books have been received from people moving out of town.

The heating situation is bad, as several of the rooms are at freezing temperature during the cold months.

New books	150
Fiction	2,400
Non-fiction	20
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Circulation	2,420
Appropriation	\$600.00
Expended	600.00

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE A. WICKMAN  
ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
ALICE M. PEASE

Trustees of the Public Library



**REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby present our annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1952.

During the year 14 arrests were made. Driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated, 3; Drunkenness, 4; Violation of motor vehicle laws, 7.

Complaints and investigations, 106.

Papers served for out-of-town departments, 32. Summons, 32. Capias, 0. Warrants, 0.

Motor vehicle accidents for the year, 36. Persons injured, 43. Deaths, 1.

In our report we find that we have had an increase in arrests, complaints, papers served for out-of-town police departments, and motor vehicle accidents. We also had an increase of 22 persons injured over last year.

In submitting this report, I wish to thank your Board, and members of this Department for the cooperation shown during the year 1952.

Appropriation		\$4,600.00
Salaries	\$4,354.31	
Court Officer	16.00	
Telephone	127.73	
Supplies	101.96	
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Expended:		\$4,600.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER A. MEYER,

Chief of Police

**REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The fact that very little business means good business, our department has had a very successful year. We had sixty-three (63) alarms of which seven were still, fourteen house and forty-two for small grass and forest fires. In comparing our losses with previous years, we have been quite fortunate.

The alarm system was not expanded as much as last year, due to labor difficulties. Equipment for this project has been purchased and the money that was included in our budget for labor will be returned to the town as shown in our financial report, and we will ask that it be appropriated again next year.

Working with the mutual aide organization made up with eight surrounding towns, a civil defense incident was carried out this summer at the Whiting & Davis parking lot. The object being the grouping of nine pumpers to relay water one mile and to determine pressures and volume.

We reported to you last year that our department requires a new piece of apparatus to replace two pieces that have become almost obsolete. We are asking for this in a special article in the Town Warrant. For your information, this item will be primarily for forest fires and it also would be supplemental to our house fire equipment.

With no direct cost to the tax payer, we have added a much needed light generator unit, which was given by the Fourth of July Committee. (Value \$800.00).

We wish to stress that it is very important that permits are required at all times for out door fires where an approved incinerator is not being used.

We direct your attention to the fact that some time in the future more coverage will have to be provided for the protective departments if their efficiency is to be maintained.

## ANNUAL REPORT

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We thank your board, members of the department, and the Fourth of July Committee for the help and assistance they have given us.

Appropriation		\$4,400.00
Payroll	\$1,700.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel.	163.03	
Worcester County Electric Company	78.00	
No. Attleboro Gas Company	4.98	
Janitor service	120.00	
Labor	41.60	
Misc. gas and supplies	262.66	
Dues: Forest Warden and Fire Chief	8.00	
The Gamewell Company, fire alarm	323.61	
Justin A. McCarthy, hose	\$638.40	
helmet and rubber coat	45.09	683.49
Maxim Motor, ladder		266.00
Franklin Hardware Co., wire		120.00
A. & S. Supply Co., Inc., new water supply		121.60
T. E. A. Fuller Insurance Agency- trucks	\$62.70	
T. E. A. Fuller Traveler's vol. blanket policy	145.23	207.93
Expended:		\$4,100.90
Balance		\$299.10

Respectfully submitted,

ALTON E. FRENCH, Chief

CHRISTIAN F. HENRICH, First Ass't.

CHESTER A. MEYER, Second Ass't.

**REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK AND DAIRIES**

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Milk and Dairies for the Town of Plainville, for the year ending December 31, 1952, as follows:

Milk Licenses issued: 32 @ \$1.00	\$32.00
Oleomargarine Licenses: 9 @ \$1.00	9.00
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Cash paid Town Treasurer	\$41.00

Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Milk Inspector

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**REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Slaughtering for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Of the twenty-one (21) carcasses inspected, there were ten (10) cattle; six (6) sheep and five (5) calves, which were inspected and stamped, and the required reports sent to the State Department of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL B. THOMPSON,

Inspector of Slaughtering

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

We are still continuing Mr. Putnam B. Steele, as Sanitation Inspector for the testing of milk, inspection of restaurants and other eating establishments. Many favorable comments have been received on this type of service.

Because of the congested condition of the old town dump, we were forced to find a new location. Thru the cooperation of Mr. William Stierli, we were enabled to relocate the town dump on the same property on Cowell Street. A fence was installed to help keep this area clean. In order to establish this new dump, we were forced to cut down trees and brush and bulldoze a wide area so that the public could drive in with plenty of room to turn around. This will be a solution to our problem for quite a few years.

We have an article in this warrant asking for enough money to complete Bugbee Street drainage. From a Board of Health standpoint this drainage should be completed this year.

The following is a list of diseases on file at this office.

Chicken Pox	21
German Measles	24
Measles	31
Scarlet Fever	2
Dog Bite	2

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN

LEROY B. WILSON

NORMAN A. MCGILL

Board of Health

## ASSESSORS REPORT, 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The report of the Board of Assessors for the year ending December 31, 1952, follows:

Total Appropriations Town Meeting	\$219,225.02
Overlay Reserve	5,285.53
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Total Appropriations	\$224,510.55
Total Estimated Receipts	\$100,225.72
Amount to be raised by Taxation	123,284.83
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	\$224,510.55

Taxes Committed:

Real Estate	\$104,370.55
Personal	17,728.28
Poll Tax	1,186.00
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	\$123,284.83

Excise Tax:

Total Valuation of cars assessed	\$452,960.00
Total Tax assessed	18,345.33
Total Number of cars assessed	1,013
Number of Persons, Partnerships, and Corps., assessed	1,011
Number of Polls	593
Number of Dwelling houses	602
Number of Acres of Land	63,060
Total Real Estate Valuation	1,815,140
Total Personal	308,318

Total	<hr/> 2,123,458
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**Live Stock Assessed**

Horses	17
Cattle	157
Swine	291
Sheep	12
Fowl	4,150
Goats	11

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. QUIRK  
SYDNEY J. ANDREWS  
FRANK V. HENRICH

Board of Assessors

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

## CENTER TOWN

To Whom Payable		Amount	Total
Appropriation			\$4,000.00
Transferred			423.75
			<hr/> \$4,423.75
Payrolls:		\$1,677.20	
Gas, Oil & Parts:			
F. W. Averill Garage	162.91		
Chas. S. Cobb	239.07		
A. Paulus	232.30		
F. Benker	282.97		
Eastern Tire Sales	275.04	1,192.29	
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Thorpe Automotive Co., supplies		193.68	
Waite Auto Co., chains		176.99	
Nerney Motor Sales, auto parts		30.75	
Columbian Steel Co., blades		61.93	
American Chain Link Fence Co., road drag		22.00	
Plainville Machine Works, repairs spreader		19.00	
Sheet Metal Specialties Co., signs		28.44	
W. T. Whalen Engineering Co., plans		15.00	
T. E. A. Fuller Insurance Agency-			
truck coverage		171.24	
Attleboro & Plainville Coal Co.,			
cement, etc.		41.65	
Misc. supplies and parts		355.70	
Gravel and Sand:			
Walsh & Babineau	\$5.00		
M. F. Cash	46.20	51.20	
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Asphalt & Patch:			
Norwood Asphalt			
Company	186.73		
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone	25.43	212.16	
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To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
L. Grimaldi, removing boulder	10.00	\$4,259.23
<b>Truck and Machinery Hire:</b>		
Alec Fredrickson, tractor		30.00
Mack Construction Co., power grader		42.00
L. Morrell, power shovel		92.40
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		\$4,423.63
Appropriations	\$4,423.75	
Expended	4,423.63	
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Balance	.12	

**HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 81**

Payrolls	\$4,338.46	
Mack Construction Co., asphalt	3,548.87	
Kopper's Company, T-3	1,055.25	
<b>Gravel and Sand:</b>		
Highland Sand & Gravel Company	\$1,850.62	
Jas. A. Munroe	70.10	
Norfolk Asphalt	96.40	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone	91.88	
Walsh & Babineau	52.80	
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	2,161.80	
Norfolk Asphalt, asphalt concrete	93.50	
Solvay Sales, Calcium chloride flakes	58.60	
Misc. supplies	59.76	
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		\$11,316.24
<b>Truck Hire:</b>		
Town of Plainville	600.00	
Alec Fredrickson, tractor,	\$244.00	
sand loader	180.00	
mower	128.00	
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	552.00	
Louis Morrell, Power shovel	48.00	
Mervin C. Gay, Grader	54.00	
Willard Construction Co., roller	32.50	
Jas. A. Munroe, grader	\$553.00	
roller	33.00	

To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
dump truck	32.00	
	618.00	
Jos. Iacuzzi, shovel & truck	140.00	2,044.50
		<u>\$13,360.74</u>
Appropriation	\$4,300.00	
Transfer	9,075.00	
	<u>\$13,375.00</u>	
Expended:	13,360.74	
	<u>\$14.26</u>	
Balance		

#### HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90

Payrolls	\$1,005.10	
Norfolk Asphalt Concrete Co., concrete	358.05	
Corbett Concrete Pipe Co., pipe	91.50	
State Prison Colony Industries, inlet covers	13.50	
Attleboro & Plainville Coal Co., cement and body brick	6.72	
	<u></u>	\$1,474.87

#### Truck hire:

Town of Plainville		100.00	
J. T. Iacuzzi, power shovel		34.00	
Alec Fredrickson, power tractor		30.00	
L. A. Morrell, power shovel	\$60.00		
backhoe	336.00		
loader	60.00	456.00	
		<u></u>	620.00
			<u>\$2,094.87</u>
Appropriation		\$2,100.00	
Expended		2,094.87	
		<u>\$ 5.13</u>	
Balance			

To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
<b>DRAINAGE—BUGBEE STREET</b>		
Payrolls	\$455.80	
State Prison Colony Industries, curb inlets	6.80	
Southeastern Construction Co. Inc., radius blocks and rings	80.16	
		542.76
<b>Truck and Machinery Hire</b>		
Louis A. Morrell, digger	\$408.00	
compressor	45.00	
		453.00
		\$995.76
Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Expended	995.76	
Balance	\$ 4.24	

**REPAIR WARREN STREET after Water Installation**

Labor	\$338.00	
<b>Truck and Machinery Hire:</b>		
Louis A. Morrell, back hoe	\$486.00	
tractor	75.00	
		561.00
		899.00
Appropriation	\$900.00	
Expended	899.00	
Balance	\$ 1.00	

**TOWN FOREST**

	Appropriation	\$75.00
Labor	61.20	

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To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
<b>Truck Hire:</b>		
Town of Plainville	12.00	\$73.20
Balance		\$1.80

## SNOW REMOVAL ACCOUNT

Payrolls	\$1,203.85	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co., sand	648.56	
Repairs and parts	66.40	
Anderson Engineering Co., plow parts	16.00	
		\$1,934.81
<b>Truck and Machinery Hire:</b>		
Town of Plainville		366.00
Alec Fredrickson: plowing and loading snow	\$450.00	
loading sand	172.00	
		622.00
Merrill N. Falk II, sidewalk plowing		224.00
W. H. Riley & Son, bulldozer		38.00
J. Iacuzzi, bulldozer		55.00
		\$3,239.81
Appropriation	\$3,000.00	
Expended	3,239.81	
	\$239.81	
Trans. Ex-Ordinary Reserve Acct.	\$239.81	

## TOWN DUMP

Appropriation		\$150.00
Payrolls	\$61.15	
W. H. Riley & Son, bulldozer	73.85	
Ralph Kettell, bulldozer	15.00	
Expended:		\$150.00



**REPORT OF PARK AND PLAYGROUND**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

We hereby submit our annual report.

We wish to express our appreciation to the many people who cooperated with us to make our 1952 season a very successful one.

To the Fire Department for helping us clean the pool.

To Robert Munroe for the use of his pumps to drain the pool.

To the Plainville Grange for planting and maintaining our two flower beds.

To the Police Department for their cooperation in helping to curb the vandalism which formerly had taken place.

Under the supervision of Mr. Milesky the park was maintained and kept in very clean condition. He also conducted swimming lessons and kept a large group of children active in learning to swim, and advancing in this sport.

We wish to thank Elmer Ralston for the loam and clay which was used on the ball field.

We, also, wish to thank Mervin Gay for the use of his road scraper and Richard Morse for his work in levelling the diamond.

The Merry-Go-Round that was purchased last year was installed and enjoyed by many children.

A new bridge was constructed across the brook to replace the old one.

Three picnic tables with benches attached, and three park

benches were purchased, to be located in convenient places in the park, for the coming year.

The main project before us was the construction of the comfort station. This was built by Robert Munroe at a saving to the Town. The installation labor of all the piping and toilet fixtures was donated. The know-how and many hours labor of Byron Schofield is greatly appreciated. The hours of help from Everett Skinner, Frank Miller and Gilbert Berkley, not only in the construction of the lavatory, but in other projects in the park is also appreciated. The comfort station was completed and will be open to the public next year. We wish to emphasize that this is an important fixture in the park, and needs the cooperation of the townspeople in keeping it clean and sanitary.

Appropriation	\$900.00
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Charles Pease	
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(Plowing ball diamond)	10.25
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Attleboro and Plainville Coal Co.	
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(Lime and Cement)	4.81
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Mr. Morton Milesky (Labor)	405.00
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Mowry Falk (Labor)	12.00
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M. F. Cash (4 loads gravel)	16.00
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Gilbert Berkley (Labor)	29.00
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Frank Miller (Labor)	16.00
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Gary Berkley (Labor)	45.00
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Frank Dinsmore (Equipment)	256.89
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Supplies	17.30
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Diamond Match (Lumber)	54.36
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	<hr/> \$866.61
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Balance	<hr/> \$33.39
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Comfort Station	\$1,000.00
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James A. Munroe and Sons	
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(Contractor)	\$750.00
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Louis A. Morrell (Material & Labor)	208.71
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Frank Stolworthy (Pipe)	21.00
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A. & S. Supply Co. (Pipe)	11.00
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Balance	<hr/> \$9.29
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Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. MYERS

ROBERT J. FAWCETT

CLARENCE E. SKINNER, JR.

**WIRING INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the past year there have been the following permits granted to wire, with all work inspected:

12 New Houses

8 Summer Cottages (Treasure Island Development)

1 Temporary Quarters (Treasure Island Development)

16 New Services (Changing from 2 to 3 wires)

1 New Service for a Trailer made into a permanent dwelling

27 Oil Burners

2 Factories

2 Rewiring of Old Houses

1 Ice Cream Stand

2 Electric Signs

We again wish to express our appreciation for the co-operation of the Worcester County Electric Company, the Electrical Contractors and Home Owners during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. GEORGE HAYES

Inspector of Wires

## ANNUAL REPORT

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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January 21, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

This is to certify that the books of the Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, and Water Department have been examined by me and found correct.

All amounts collected and paid to the Treasurer by the Tax Collector and Water Department agree with his statements, as well as all uncollected amounts.

The books of the Town Clerk, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Milk Inspector, School Lunch Fund and Police Department have been examined and they also agree with the records of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE H. CARPENTER

Town Auditor

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Because of the open winter in 1952, the bulk of the highway money was spent for resurfacing the town streets. This is a rather expensive operation, as costs of materials are at their highest level.

The following Center of Town streets received a surface treatment, Spring, Broad, Melcher, Maple, Pleasant, Grove, Highland Avenue and Potter Avenue.

The following streets in the outlying sections of the town also received surface treatment, under Chapter 81. Chestnut, Cowell, Cross, Fales, George, Green, Hancock, Hawkins, High, Mirimichi, School, Taunton, Walnut, Warren, West Bacon, Bartlett Road, Peck Road and Peterson Road. Gravelling was done on Hawkins Street, George Street and Wampum Street. Brush cutting on Hancock, Warren, Taunton and Walnut Streets.

Under Chapter 90, the following work was completed. On Messenger Street the banking at top of hill was cut back, drain installed, fence rebuilt and road hard surfaced. Also on Messenger Street the catch basin was rebuilt and 150 feet of drainage installed on Nixon property. On Taunton Street brush was cut, gutters and catch basins cleaned. On Shepard Street the corner was widened at Taunton Street and black top installed.

The Bugbee Street drainage project was started at the corner of South Street and extended to a point opposite the residence of Mr. Desjardins.

The Board feels the need of adding another sanding attachment for the town trucks to speed up the spreading of treated sand on the highways.

The Board acknowledges the fine cooperation of the various Town Departments during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
LEROY B. WILSON  
NORMAN A. MCGILL

Board of Selectmen

## ANNUAL REPORT

## SELECTMEN'S CURRENT and INCIDENTALS

To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Salaries: Board of Selectmen	\$700.00	
Clerk of Selectmen	300.00	\$1,000.00
Election and Town Meeting		
Expenses	386.00	
Town Reports	614.55	
Ballots	53.25	
Warrants	65.00	
Jury Lists	5.00	
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N. E. Telephone & Telegraph	136.38	
Postage	22.00	
Legal Fees	36.25	
R. L. Polk, City Directory	22.00	
Water: Legion Home	10.00	
Norfolk County Selectmen's Ass'n Dues	31.00	
Supplies and Forms	64.73	
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Expended:		2,446.16
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Balance		\$53.84
<b>GENERAL WELFARE</b>		
Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Transf. Ex-Ord. Res.		763.00
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		\$3,263.00
Cash Aid	\$2,994.45	
N. Attleboro District Nursing Assoc.	119.96	
Sturdy Memorial Hospital	114.91	
Social Service Index, Boston	10.00	
Postage	9.00	
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Expended:		\$3,248.32
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Balance		\$14.68

To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
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**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Appropriation		\$1,700.00
John Bielecki, Garbage Contract	\$600.00	
Salary: Maurice D. Grant, M.D., Town Physician	100.00	
Putnam B. Steele, Sanitation Inspector	250.00	
Earl B. Thompson, Inspector		
Animals	\$100.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering	30.00	
Milk Inspector	50.00	
	180.00	
Miscellaneous expenses	174.47	
Labor on dump:	30.00	
Jas. A. Munroe, gravel	17.70	
Truck Hire:		
Joseph Iacuzzi, bulldozer	160.00	
power shovel	44.00	
truck hire	45.00	
	249.00	
M. F. Cash, bulldozer	22.50	
W. H. Riley & Son, bulldozer	46.15	
		1,669.82
Balance		\$30.18

**TUITION**

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
City of Brockton	12.60	
Town of North Attleboro, Adult Education	19.20	
Town of Norwood	239.40	
City of Taunton	15.60	
City of Attleboro	40.60	
City of Boston	207.69	
Transportation charges	226.60	
Expended		761.69
Balance		\$238.31



To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
<b>TOWN OFFICE MAINTENANCE</b>		
Appropriation		\$1,100.00
Attleboro & Plainville Coal Co., fuel oil	\$852.28	
Worcester County Electric Co., lights	47.20	
Salary: janitor	157.50	
Miscellaneous supplies	20.48	
Expended		1,077.46
Balance		\$22.54
<b>OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANT</b>		
Cash Aid		\$9,698.01
Cr. Bal. January 1, 1952	\$1,082.00	
Rec'd Fed. Gov't., 1952	8,919.12	
Refund	16.00	\$10,017.12
Expended		\$9,698.01
Balance		\$319.11
<b>OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—Federal Grant Administration</b>		
Balance January 1, 1952	\$571.41	
Received Fed. Gov't., 1952	529.31	
		\$1,100.72
Ruth Fulton, Agent, part salary	400.00	
Refund: travel and expenses	154.12	
Postage	39.00	
Supplies and forms	12.55	
H. S. Horne Co., portable file and transp.	37.11	
Dues	26.00	
Expended		668.78
Balance		\$431.94

To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
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**AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—Federal Grant**

Cash Aid		\$34.20
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Cr. Balance January 1, 1952	\$191.83	
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Received Fed. Gov't 1952	97.70	
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	\$289.53	
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Expended	34.20	
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	\$255.33	
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Balance		
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**AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—Federal Grant Adm.**

Balance January 1, 1952	\$ 7.08	
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Received Fed. Gov't 1952	13.37	
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	\$20.45	
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Balance		
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**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE—Federal Grant**

Cash Aid		\$90.30
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Received Fed. Gov't 1952	\$246.71	
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Expended	90.30	
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	\$156.41	
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Balance		
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**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE—Federal Grant Adm.**

Received Fed. Gov't 1952	17.44	
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Expended	-0-	
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	\$17.44	
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Balance		
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To Whom Payable	Amount	Total
<b>OLD AGE ASISTANCE—Town Appropriation</b>		
Appropriation		\$11,000.00
Refunds:		269.16
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		\$11,269.16
Cash Aid	\$11,200.51	
Town of Foxboro	48.95	
Town of North Attleboro	19.70	
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Expended:		\$11,269.16
<b>AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN—Town Appropriation</b>		
Appropriation		\$400.00
Cash Aid		112.75
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Balance		\$287.25

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To Either of the Constables of Plainville,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Plainville qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in High School Auditorium in said Plainville, on

MONDAY THE SECOND DAY OF MARCH 1953, A.D.

at six-thirty o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

Article 1. The following Town Officers to be chosen by ballot, viz: One Moderator, one Town Clerk, one Auditor, one Tree Warden, and three Constables for one year. One Treasurer, one Selectman, Board of Welfare, one Assessor, one Water Commissioner, one Trustee of Public Library, one Collector of Taxes, one Park Commissioner, two members of School Committee for three years, and one member of School Committee for two years.

For this purpose the polls will open at 6:30 o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

For the consideration of all other articles in this Warrant the meeting will be adjourned to 7:30 p. m. of said day in the Auditorium of the new Elementary School on South Street in said town.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers not named in Article 1, for a term of one year.

Article 3. To consider and act on the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other Town Officers.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Moderator	\$20.00 each Annual Meeting 10.00 each Special Meeting
Town Clerk	300.00 per year
Town Treasurer	600.00 per year
Selectmen, chairman	300.00 per year
Second Member	200.00 per year
Third Member	200.00 per year
Assessors, chairman	400.00 per year
Second Member	400.00 per year
Third Member	400.00 per year
Tax Collector	600.00 per year
School Committee	40.00 each member
Water Commissioners, Chairman and Supt.	200.00 per year
Second Member	25.00 per year
Third Member	25.00 per year
Auditor	75.00 per year
Constables	1.00 per hour
Tree Warden	1.00 per hour

or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 6. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1953 and expressly for the following purposes to wit:

1. For the support of the Public Library.
2. For the Selectmen's current expenses and salaries.

3. For the Treasurer's current expenses and salary.
4. For the Town Clerk's current expenses and salaries. 525
5. For the Assessor's current expenses and salaries. 1500
6. For the Tax Collector's current expenses and salary. 1000
7. For the Board of Registrar's current expenses and salaries. 650
8. For the salary of Town Auditor. 750
9. For the Sealer of Weights and Measures' current expenses and salary.
10. For the payment of Insurance. 2000
11. For Welfare. 2500
12. Aid Dependent Children. 400
13. For Old Age Assistance. 1100
14. For Veteran's Benefits. 300
15. For Highways and Bridges, center of Town. 4200
16. For Memorial Day. 200
17. For Interest on Temporary Loans and Maturing Debt. 3900
18. For Fire Department for current expenses and salaries. 4350
19. For Street Lights. 5700
20. For Water Department incidentals, pumping and salaries. 18800
21. For Board of Health current expenses and salaries. 1700
22. For Police Department including Night Patrol. 4800
23. For Tree Warden. 300
24. For Removal of Snow. 3800
25. For Park Commissioners. 1000
26. For Support of School and salaries of School Committee. 76643
27. Town Forest Committee. 750

28. For heating and maintenance of Fire Station and Town Office Building. 11/54
29. For maturing debt. 20,000.00
30. For Welfare Agent. 3,000.00
31. For Wire Inspector, salary and expenses. 250.00

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to have the surety of the Collector of Taxes, Deputy Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Secretary of the Water Commissioners and Clerk of the Selectmen's bond placed with a fidelity or guarantee company, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same. 72

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the carrying on of the Moth work for the coming year. 800

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a Reserve Fund to provide for the extraordinary unforeseen expenses, as authorized by Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the operation of Road Machinery or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. 11/54

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds



in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto. 4310 70

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Town Dump, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. 3000

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,200.00, or any other sum, to continue the drainage program, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. 2200

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for all control work against the Dutch Elm Disease, as set forth by Section 13, Chapter 761, Act of 1949, to be expended under the direction of the Moth Superintendent, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. 450

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept the continuation of Mathurin Road as a Public Way, when it is brought up to a grade satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen, and a blue-print of the layout and grade furnished to the Town, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,028.04, this being the amount apportioned to Plainville as its share of the cost of the Norfolk County Retirement System, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00, or any other sum, for the use of the athletic department of the schools, as provided for in Chapter 658, Acts of 1950, a revision of Sec. 47, Chapter 71, of the General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2000.00, or any other sum for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Chapter 118D amending 118C, inserted by Chapter 658 of the General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. This chapter has to do with aid for Disabled persons. 2100

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, or any other sum, for the carrying out of the State Vocational Education Program as provided for in Section 7 and 8 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (This account to be handled by the School Committee.)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to continue the water system on School Street for 900 feet more or less and raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,552.00 or any other sum or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 or any other sum for repair of School Street after water installation or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to continue the water system on Warren Street for 600 feet more or less and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,317.00 or any other sum or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 or any other sum to repair Warren Street after water installation or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to continue water on Fletcher Street 500 feet more or less and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,530.00 or any other sum or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 or any other sum to repair Fletcher Street after water installation or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to continue water on East Bacon Street Extension for 900 feet more or less and raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,552.00 or any other sum or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 or any other sum to repair

East Bacon Street Extension after water installation or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the purchase of a new supplementary fire truck or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (Board of Fire Engineers.)

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer \$4,000.00 or any other sum for the building of a sidewalk on the westerly side of South Street from the Town office to the top of Wade's Hill, a distance of a mile more or less, provided the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will pay for part of the cost of said sidewalk or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$300.00 or any other sum for the building and curbing of about 200 linear feet of sidewalk along the front of St. Martha's Catholic Church on the easterly side of South Street provided the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will pay for part of the cost of said sidewalk and curbing or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to install one street light on Fletcher Street about in front of the residence of Byron Schofield and the money to pay for same to be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 6 or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to install two street lights on South Street one about in front of the Eastern Tire Sales Co. and one about in front of Alva Paulus' Service Station and the money to pay for same to be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 6 or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to install four street lights on Cross Street and the money to pay for same to be raised and appropriated under Section 19 of Article 6 or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the building of a head wall

about where the new state drain running along the southern boundary of the Quirk property meets the drain on the new Elementary School property or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installing of about 400 linear feet of six-foot chain link fence on part of the boundary of the new Elementary School land or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (School Committee)

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for black topping about 22,000 square feet of the new Elementary School yard or do or act in any manner relative thereto. (School Committee)

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 or any other sum for the treatment of tuberculosis patients having a legal settlement in this town as provided for by Chapter 270, Acts of 1952, repealing Chapter 562 of the Acts of 1951, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 40. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Forest Committee with the approval of the Selectmen, to sell a certain piece of land or any part thereof and further authorize said Town Forest Committee and the Board of Selectmen to sign, acknowledge and deliver any instruments of transfer on behalf of the Town or do or act in any manner relative thereto. This land has a frontage on Route 1 of about 665 feet and a depth of around 300 or 400 feet.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to sell a certain piece of land to the John Edward McNeill Post No. 217, American Legion Building Association, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign, acknowledge and deliver any instruments of Transfer on behalf of the Town or do or act in any manner relative thereto. This piece of land is about 250 feet long by 150 feet wide and is situated off West Bacon Street in the rear of the Whiting and Davis field.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell a certain piece of land between Taunton Street and Bartlett Road and also authorize said

Board of Selectmen to sign, acknowledge and deliver any instruments of transfer on behalf of the Town or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, and to be placed in a fund known as the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943; this money to be earmarked for the building and equipping of an addition to the new Elementary School building or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 44. To see whether or not the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, demolish or otherwise dispose of, on behalf of the Town, the old High School building that is no longer being used for school purposes, or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 45. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$616.98 representing the proceeds of a reimbursement from the insurance company to cover a loss sustained through burglary by the Plainville School Department for the following purposes: Replacement of office safe, \$250.00; Repairs to building and equipment, \$356.98; Replacement of money stolen, \$10.00.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 537, Acts 1951 of the General Laws. Be it enacted, etc., as follows: "Chapter 31 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Sec. 47D, inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 402 of the Acts of 1941, the following section:"

Section 47E. Persons holding positions referred to in Section 47C shall be given an annual step-rate increase, to be set forth in the compensation plan established under Sec. 47D, on the first day of July following the anniversary of the date of their receiving the minimum salary for the position which they hold, but such increase shall not entitle such persons to any change of rating or increased authority. Such increase shall be fixed by the board referred to in Sec. 47D and shall



be paid annually until the maximum salary set forth in the compensation plan established under Sec. 47D for the position so held has been reached. The Superior Court, upon suit by the attorney-general or petition of one or more taxable inhabitants of a city or town in which it is alleged that the provisions of this section or sections 47C and 47D are not enforced, may, in law, or equity, enforce said sections. This section shall become effective in a town by a majority vote at an annual town meeting."

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Surplus Revenue Account to be used by the assessors for the reduction of the tax rate or do or act in any manner relative thereto.

Article 48. To choose any committee and to hear the report of any committee and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in seven (7) Public Places in said town, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time and place of said meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

ARTHUR W. WASHBURN  
LEROY B. WILSON  
NORMAN A. MCGILL

Selectmen of Plainville





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